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PARTY FIGHT IS STRENUOUS

British Political Campaign the Most Bitter Since Home Rule Election

LABOR ORGANIZATION IS SHORT OF FUNDS

Differences Among Radicals On Treatment of House of Lords

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The campaign grows hotter every day. The Conservative leader is still confined to bed with influenza and cold, his customary falling but his party organization is, like that of the Radicals, working at fever heat. Tons of leaflets and circulars are in preparation. Everything points to the bitterest and most determined fight since the Home Rule election in 1885.

Two factors, which are bound to have a dominating effect are the lack of party funds. Mr. Henderson, M. P., chairman of the Labor party in the commons, admits that he is bound to withdraw candidates, because he is unprepared with the necessary money. This will save some Liberal seats from a three-cornered fight. The Nationalists are believed to be similarly crippled to such an extent that it is declared if the tariff reformers put up candidates in many Nationalist seats the party will be brought to the verge of bankruptcy.

Very gallant to Radical leaders is the guerilla warfare in which their Budget allies among the Socialists Laborites are indulging. Victor Grayson, M. P., ridicules the ministerial denunciation of the Lords. He says: "Who are these men on the Liberal benches? As I watch some Liberal members I can tell who are going to be dukes (laughter). Some have bought their peerages and paid for them in advance (laughter). There are other Liberals who call dukes plunderers, but they themselves sweat and exploit workers."

Radicals are waiting anxiously for Friday's great ministerial gathering at the Albert Hall when it is hoped Premier Asquith will devise some policy against the Lords which will bring his party enthusiastically into line. At present even the leaders are at variance. It is believed that the absence from Lloyd-George's and Churchill's recent speeches of definite proposals against the Lords was due to Premier Asquith's veto. The rank and file of Radicalism fiercely demands the abolition of the Lords. They are quite ready to see England become a one-chamber country.

Sir Edward Grey, speaking on Saturday took quite another line. Instead of weakening the House of Lords he would strengthen it by making it elective and not hereditary. This attitude recalls the King's recent declaration: "I am not content to remain the only hereditary institution in this country," and suggests grave possibilities beyond the present political crisis.

The Unionist leaders continue conspicuous by reason of their silence. Winston Spencer Churchill, president of the Board of Trade, who thus far has been the most active on the Liberal side, made another speech at Manchester tonight. He pointed out that the imposition of a tariff would include imports which the Manchester canal was built to encourage. He instances the quintupled value of the land in the vicinity since the canal was built as a justification for placing the increment tax in the Budget. Lord Rothschild, Liberal Unionist, speaking at Tring, in Herefordshire, tonight declared himself a convert to tariff reform.

Railways Move Freight.
SEATTLE, Dec. 6.—The Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads today lifted their embargo on freight except to the north, where the flood damage has not been repaired. Both railroads will receive non-union men from the East tomorrow, and officials say the strike will be ended on Wednesday.

Carried Much Wealth.
BELLFONTAINE, Ohio, Dec. 6.—H. A. Piedro, a lawyer and real estate dealer of St. Louis, carrying a valise in which there were \$450,000 of apparently negotiable papers, left a train for New York here today and announced in the railroad station that he would kill himself. The police took

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him to a hospital. He told the physicians that his associates in St. Louis had conspired to send him to an insane asylum and take his property. Piedro recently suffered a nervous breakdown and has been recuperating at Muldoon's farm near New York.

Burned in Their Home.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 6.—Myrtle Johnson, 5 years old, was burned to death and her mother and two young brothers were fatally burned today in a fire which destroyed their home at Connelville, Pa.

Found in Cistern

FISHKILL LANDING, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The body of Miss Margaret Doherty, the student who disappeared yesterday, was found late today in the cistern of her father's home.

Not Engaged

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Miss Yvonne Townsend, daughter of Lawrence Townsend, former minister to Portugal, whom European cables had suggested as a bride for the young King Manuel of Portugal, arrived here today from Antwerp, with a denial that she was engaged. Miss Townsend and the present King were playmates eleven years ago, when they were both eight years old, and when they met a few weeks ago as the guests of King Edward, at Windsor Castle, their friendship was renewed.

Overdue Steamer Heard From

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 6.—Fears for the safety of the Red Cross liner Rosalind, bound for this port from New York via Halifax, were dismissed tonight, when the vessel, which was many days overdue, responded to her agents by wireless via Cape Race, that she is about five miles off this port hidden in the dense fog. The Rosalind has a number of New York passengers aboard. She left Halifax for this port on Tuesday morning, and ran into the tempest which centered off southwestern Newfoundland for several days, wrecking many sailing vessels.

BIG CONFERENCE OF LUMBERMEN

Ontario and Prairie Delegates to Meet With Western Operators

VANCOUVER, Dec. 6.—Western Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, mountain and coast sawmill men will meet in conference here on Friday next. A variety of topics of interest to the trade will be discussed.

It is significant that this is the first time that the spruce and pine lumber interests of Western Ontario and the prairie provinces—hitherto a disturbing factor in the maintenance of prices—have accepted an invitation to come to the coast. The conference was called by the B. C. Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers' association, better known as the Coast association.

Arrangements will be made to send a strong deputation to Ottawa to oppose legislation now being sought by fire insurance companies, and which, if granted will have the effect of preventing the millmen from placing risks with non-board companies. There is great unanimity among the millmen in regard to this subject. The old lengths standard now being sought by the lumber manufacturers of Canada and the United States will also receive attention. At present lumber is cut in two feet standards, involving a certain waste, it is alleged. The adoption of a uniform standard for all the western manufacturers will be urged by various delegates. Representations in favor of making changes in the grading system will also be made.

Steam Schooner Wrecked.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The steam schooner Majestic went aground today on Pacific's Point, and probably was a total loss. Captain Keegan and his crew of nine men, reached shore in safety.

Pursued by Fiend
BELLFONTAINE, Ohio, Dec. 6.—"I will give you until tonight to listen," is the warning in an anonymous letter received today by Mrs. Geo. Mann. A few evenings ago Mrs. Mann was called to the door by a heavily veiled woman, who threw acid in her face and disappeared. Mrs. Mann was painfully burned by the acid, and is now very ill of nervous shock caused by the letter. There is no clue.

Stander Wins

VANCOUVER, Dec. 6.—Rod Stander, of Nanaimo, won the lightweight championship at North Vancouver tonight by stopping Driver Miller of Vancouver, in eight rounds. Miller was all but out when Referee J. T. Hewitt stopped the mill. Stander came out of the bout without a scratch. He was over Miller from the start and the local man had no chance against him. Stander had a bad right but used his left almost exclusively in subduing the army champion. Oscar Nelson won the decision over Al Smith in the preliminary.

MANY BILLS FOR CONGRESS

First Day of Session Finds Representatives Ready With Measures

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO BE READ TODAY

Chairman Mann's Measure to Change Control of Canal Construction

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The two houses of congress convened today for the first regular session of the sixty-first congress, but the day's proceedings were in great part of a social nature, and practically no business was transacted.

The senate's session was enlivened by an unsuccessful effort by Senator Bailey to defeat the usual resolution that the daily sessions begin at noon. Senator Bailey suggested that the senate should convene instead at 2 o'clock, and he said he would like to see the senate hold night sessions in order that the senators might devote the day to individual business.

A joint committee was named by both houses to wait upon the president and to inform him that congress was in session and ready for any business he might wish to lay before it. The president's response will constitute his annual message, the reading of which will consume practically all of tomorrow's session of the two houses.

The house session continued forty minutes after which W. W. McCreedy, the new representative from the Second Washington district, who succeeded the late Francis W. Cushman, was sworn in. The greater part of the session was taken up by the roll call. Although only 341 members responded to their names, almost a full membership appeared on the house floor, and there were few among them that did not have one or more bills to offer. These included one by Representative Gardner for an investigation by congress of the entire customs service, particularly in regard to sugar frauds recently brought to light; one by Representative Hitchcock, of Nebraska, establishing postal saving banks; one by Representative Mann, Illinois, for federal regulation of the "white slave trade"; another by Mr. Mann, for the free admission of wood pulp, and one by Representative Hamilton, Michigan, to grant statehood to New Mexico and Arizona.

There were the customary crowds in the galleries of the two houses, and the usual scenes attending an opening day of congress were re-enacted on the floor. The leaders of the majority and the minority were there and conversed amicably all of the bitterness engendered by the tariff fight of last summer apparently having been forgotten for the time being at least.

Chairman Mann, of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, today introduced his bill which would eliminate the isthmian canal commission and transfer all of its power to a director general. It provides also for a civil government on the canal zone, under the president's direction. An interesting feature is that the popular appellation of "Panama canal" is hereafter to be the official designation in place of "Isthmian canal."

SMALL MAJORITY FOR GOVERNMENT

Lowest on Record Since 1896
—Budget Speech For Next Tuesday

OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—On a party division in the house tonight the government secured the smallest majority since it came into office in 1896. Twenty-two was all it could roll up, and the opposition was hilarious in its enthusiasm when the figures were announced.

The man on whose shoulders the blame lies is Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King, minister of labor. The question which occupied the attention of the house for the whole day was that of technical education. Mr. Guthrie, who for three sessions has asked for a commission of enquiry to investigate Canadian needs in respect thereof, brought up the matter again in the old time form of resolution. This was the new minister's maiden speech, and he spoke for the government. He strongly advocated technical education and then trod on the resolution which would bring Canada a better system by raising the question that it would interfere with provincial autonomy in regard to educational matters and until the government was assured on this point its hands were tied.

The chief point of Mr. Guthrie's resolution was that it did not call for anything except a commission of enquiry, but Mr. King would not even stand for this and moved the adjournment of the debate, which was tantamount to again shelving the subject.

Mr. Borden pointed out that the phantom of interference with provincial rights was nothing but a phantasm. Then Messrs. Currie, of Prince Edward, Ont., Thoburn, of Lanark, Col. Sam Hughes and Dr. Sprule voiced their sympathy with Mr. Guthrie's motion, and Mr. Guthrie sat tight.

Mr. Fielding asserted that if the debate was postponed that did not necessarily mean the shelving of the whole question. The Dominion government might properly legislate regarding technical education, but might find difficulty in controlling that system. He moved the debate adjourned. Then it was Mr. Guthrie's turn to move, and while he awaited the assurances of Mr. Fielding that postponement of the subject did not mean its shelving, he pointed out that it could hardly be thought that he could vote against his own motion, and so the division bell rang throughout the lobbies and it was seen at once that the division would be a close one. Messrs. Guthrie, Fowke (South Ontario) and Verreille voted against the Fielding motion for adjournment. Mr. Currie, of Prince Edward, who had made a strong speech in favor of the Guthrie resolution, voted against it. Then came the voice of Dr. Flint, the clerk, announcing the figures, and tumult reigned for a brief space.

Mr. Fielding promptly moved the adjournment of the House and members on both sides trooped into the lobbies, eagerly discussing the closing scenes of the debate.

Mr. Fielding announced that he would deliver his budget speech on Thursday next. Mr. Foster remarked that it was seldom he asked for delay, but he had an outside engagement of many weeks standing fixed for Thursday. He would like to be present when Mr. Fielding delivered his speech. Mr. Fielding remarked, amid laughter, that he always received inspiration during his budget deliverance on looking over at Mr. Foster. Under the circumstances he would postpone the budget until following Tuesday. This seemed to be mutually agreeable, and the outlook is that the budget debate will be concluded before the Christmas holidays.

KING PRAISES PROVINCE'S FRUIT

His Majesty Pays Special Visit to British Columbia Fruit Exhibit

In the Colonist of Friday last was published a letter from Deputy Minister Scott, of the department of agriculture, in which that official speaks in glowing terms of the splendid success achieved by the British Columbia fruits taken over by him for exhibition at the chief show of the season at the Old Country, Supplementing Mr. Scott's letter to the Premier, a cablegram was yesterday received from Hon. J. H. Turner, agent general for this province in London, showing that the good work still goes on.

At the Islington exhibition yesterday the display of British Columbia apples attracted the favorable attention of His Majesty the King, who has ever evinced keen interest in horticultural progress, and who was pleased to express appreciation, also accepting several boxes of the favored fruit. Hon. Mr. Turner's cablegram is as follows:

London, Dec. 6, 1909.
"His Majesty the King today paid a special visit to the British Columbia fruit exhibit at the Agricultural hall, Islington, and expressed great appreciation, asking numerous questions and congratulating the government upon the excellence of the display. He also accepted several boxes."

(Signed) "TURNER."

At Spokane's Apply Show.

B. T. Boies, who was agent of the Vernon Board of Trade had charge of the apple exhibit at Spokane, reached his home on Friday. Mr. Boies, like all the other Vernon visitors to the big apple show, is convinced that untold advantages and benefits in the way of advertising have accrued to the district from the splendid showing made at the fair, and predicts that a large influx of incoming settlers and purchasers of fruit will reach the Okanagan next year as a result. He interviewed hundreds of such men, to whom he distributed literature, but the best and most tangible arguments which he could advance regarding the great attractions and resources of the Okanagan lay in the splendid samples of products, and the enlarged views of orchard scenes to which he was able to direct their attention. He regards all the trouble and money expended on this exhibition by the Vernon Board of Trade as the best possible kind of an investment, and expresses the hope that next year the Okanagan will arrange to send a carload exhibit to Spokane.

Among the Prize Winners

Among the prize winners at the big Spokane show there were scored by Kelowna, 7 firsts and 7 seconds. Vernon, 7 firsts and 5 seconds. Nelson, 6 firsts and 7 seconds. Kootenai, 1 first and 2 seconds. Salmon Arm, 2 firsts and 1 second. Spence's Bridge, 2 firsts, 1 second. Carson, 1 first and 1 second. Arrow Lakes, 2 seconds.
Making a total of 25 firsts and 29 seconds which were captured by this province. This will in all probability be augmented by many more prizes, as the awards were not all made at the time the above list was given to the public.

At the request of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce, President Tift was presented with a box of Northern Spies from the Colstream ranch, while five boxes of the same variety were sent to King Edward from the Vernon Board of Trade exhibit. In the ten boxes which were selected to be sent to the Mikado of Japan, two boxes—1 Gravenstein and 1 Northern Spies—were chosen from the Vernon exhibit.

DOMINIONS AND DEFENCE

Position of Australia and New Zealand on the Naval Question

ONE FLEET UNIT FOR COMMONWEALTH

Premier Ward's Offer of a Dreadnought For Imperial Purposes

OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—The official report of the Imperial Defence conference has been received here. It contains the correspondence between Great Britain and Australia and New Zealand, which was not contained in the Canadian bluebook.

It was provisionally arranged that Australia should provide a fleet unit to consist of one armored cruiser of the new Indomitable type, three unarmored cruisers of the Bristol type, six destroyers of the river class, and three submarines, C class.

The vessels are to be manned as far as possible by Australian officers and seamen. The members required to make up the full complement for immediate purposes should be lent by the Royal Navy. In peace time, and while on the Australian station, this fleet unit would be under the exclusive control of the commonwealth as regards their government and general administration, but officers and men should be governed by regulations similar to the King's regulations and be under naval discipline, and when with vessels of the Royal Navy the senior officer should take command of the whole.

Further, when placed at the disposal of the admiralty, the Commonwealth Australian fleet unit should form a part of the eastern fleet of the Empire, to be composed of similar units of the Royal Navy, to be known as the China and West Indies units respectively and the Australian unit. The initial cost of such unit is placed at £3,695,000. The annual cost, inclusive of all charges would be £600,000, and a further additional sum would have to be added in view of the higher rate of pay, etc., in Australia, making an estimated total of £750,000. Until such time as the commonwealth can take over the whole cost the Imperial government should assist the Australian government with an annual contribution of £250,000.

New Zealand's proposal is contained in a letter from Sir Joseph Ward, in which he says, while discussing the fleet unit question: "If Canada found herself able also to come into this movement her contribution to the Pacific station would be a fourth unit."

"I favor," he continued, "one great Imperial navy, with all the overseas dominions contributing either in ships or money and with naval stations at the self-governing dominions supplied with ships by and under control of the admiralty, however, realize the difficulties and recognize that Australia and Canada in this important matter are doing that which their respective governments cannot do. The alteration that will be brought about upon the establishment of an Australian unit will alter the present position with New Zealand."

Recognizing that New Zealand's interest will be represented by the Australian fleet unit, Sir Joseph says that while the most friendly feeling exists between the two countries some provision should be made to have the direct contribution of New Zealand to the British Navy maintained in some concrete form. New Zealand will supply a Dreadnought to the British navy, the ship to be under complete control of the Admiralty. He considers it satisfactory that it is to be the flagship of the China Pacific unit, and adds the opinion that a portion of this unit should remain in New Zealand waters.

"I fully realize," he says, "that the creation of specific units, one in the East, one in Australia, if possible, one in Canada, would be a great improvement upon the existing condition of affairs."

He desires to see the vessels stationed in New Zealand waters manned by New Zealanders, but local rates of pay should be given.

TO OPEN FIGHT ON U.S. STEEL

Federation of Labor Officials to Take Action Against Open Shop

PITTSBURG, Dec. 6.—One week from today the presidents of the various organizations affiliated with the American Federation of Labor will meet to take action against the "open shop" policy of the United States Steel Corporation.

It is expected the strike trouble at Bridgeport, and the suspension of work at Martin's Ferry, Ohio, Wheeling, W. Va., and Pittsburg, in the plants of the American Sheet and Tinplate company, a subsidiary concern, will be of especial attention.

The meeting here next week was authorized by the Toronto convention of the American Federation of Labor.

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Three lots in Rockland Park subdivision changed hands for handsome figures while a lot on View street between Blanchard and Quadra also was sold yesterday. A lot on the southeast side of Fort street near the corner of Blanchard changed hands yesterday and deals for other property in the immediate vicinity are also reported. The above are indications of the present activity in the market. All the local realty firms report active inquiry and a number of important deals pending. All the subdivisions on the market are going well, but the great inquiry is for business property. For this class of property there is considerable competition and the near future is likely to see a number of deals being negotiated.

WILL SEEK APPROVAL OF THEIR NEIGHBORS

**Members Oak Bay Council Want No
Opposition to Their Application
For Private Charter.**

In discussing the decision of the Oak Bay council to seek a private charter in behalf of the municipality at last night's regular meeting Councillor W. E. Oliver advised that the way to the obtaining of such a concession be carefully cleared before any definite action be taken. He said that if the proposition was pushed straight ahead there would be trouble. Therefore it was his opinion that it would be well to obtain the consent of any corpora-

tions or individuals who might fancy that their interests would be injured. He argued that what the municipality wanted would hurt nobody and that those whom, he understood, thought it would, were laboring under a misapprehension. He referred more especially to the neighboring municipalities which believed that the proposal of running water pipes through their territory was "a declaration of war." It was nothing of the kind and he was of the opinion that it would be well for an understanding to be reached before the first steps were taken.

There ensued some debate the tenor of which was an absolute endorsement of Mr. Oliver's statement of the case. Other speakers declared that they had not heard of any danger of opposition in the application for a private charter with the privileges outlined, the chief of which was that with reference to the laying of water mains. However they agreed with Mr. Oliver that, if such a sentiment existed, nothing should be done until the outsiders were told just what was intended and their approval assured.

Street Committees Report.

'Reeve Henderson occupied the chair and others present were Councillors McGregor, Newton, Oliver, Clerk Floyd and the engineer.

In the report of the Roads, Sewers and Bridges committee it was explained that the Foul Bay schoolhouse had been rented to the Bishop of Columbia without authority so that it had been declared that the arrangements entered into would have to be cancelled.

Miss Violet Connor, claiming \$40 compensation for injuries received within the municipality, was informed that, inasmuch as the accident had taken place on private property, the municipality could not be held responsible.

"Is it within the compass of my duties to attend all dances and public entertainments in Oak Bay?" This question was propounded by Constable Dawson. "Most certainly not" is the reply authorized by the committee.

D. B. McLaren asked for surface drainage on Laurel street. He was told that the work was included in the general plan of improvements and that it would be attended to in due course.

That authority should be requested at the hands of the ratepayers for the sale of the old Foul Road school house and property was a proposal made by one of the committee. It was thought a splendid idea and such a bylaw will be prepared. It being provided that no sale be sanctioned unless \$2,500 at least be received.

Accounts aggregating \$39.42 were reported and a recommendation that they be paid forthwith was adopted.

It was in the course of the law committee's report that followed that Mr. Oliver made the foregoing remarks regarding the proposal that Oak Bay should make application for a private charter at the next session of the provincial legislature.

Fine Drainage System.

Then Mr. Oliver took up the question of Oak Bay's drainage system. He stated that he had prided himself that the council, with the assistance of the engineer, had been able to furnish the municipality with the best surface drainage system of any district around

Victoria. When the recent floods came he had kept his eyes open and had formed the opinion that his first impression was well founded because the heavy rains didn't appear to be causing any more inconvenience than an ordinary shower. Therefore he had been surprised to read in the Colonist that a house on Newport Avenue had been flooded out. For his own satisfaction he wanted to ask the engineer whether that was correct. The engineer admitted that there had been somewhat of an overflow there—the only place where such a thing had happened in the whole district. Still he thought the report might be said to have been a little overdrawn. After Councillor Newton had submitted a notice of motion which con-

templates the regulation of the width of streets, et. al. Councillor Oliver asked the clerk whether the special grant of \$500 promised by the provincial government for the assistance of road work and general public improvements had been obtained.

"Not as yet" was the clerk's reply. "It was the intention to attempt to secure the money before the election" remarked the councillor with a smile. (Laughter.)

"Such a precaution wasn't necessary," exclaimed a voice.

With a formal motion by Councillor McGregor appointing Clerk Floyd returning officer for the forthcoming municipal elections with power to select a deputy returning officer, and making the municipal building the polling place, the meeting adjourned.

Rushing Repairs

The passenger service on the E. & N. railroad, with a transfer this side of Ladysmith, is being satisfactorily maintained. The train leaves here at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, the incoming passenger reaches the depot about 3:30, several hours later, than the usual scheduled time. In a week at the outside the bridge, the destruction of which caused the only serious interference with traffic, should be repaired and the through passenger and freight service resumed.

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NEW SYSTEM TO GO TO ELECTORS

Will Vote This Month on the Question of Board of Control

The electors of the city will have an opportunity of passing upon the question of whether a board of control shall be appointed or the present system of civic government continued. The necessary bylaw will be submitted at an early date, sometime this month, and if it carries the election of two controllers will take place at the forthcoming civic election, the new mayor to be the third member of the board. The city solicitors, who were asked to report on the status of the city under the amendment secured to the municipal clauses act at the last session of the legislature, and to furnish any information showing how the system has worked in other cities where it is in operation, submitted a lengthy report which appeared to indicate that the legal advisors of the corporation are not wholly in favor of the idea. The solicitors wrote as follows:

Some Information

We have from legal journals, the statutes of other provinces, and the bylaws of cities having boards of control, gathered such information as we can. We have also informed the council of the provisions of the Ontario statute, from which Vancouver incorporated powers in its private charter, which powers are now in the municipal act and available to this city.

The aldermen will have received from us an extract of the above provisions and an alternative suggestion (in the form of a temporary expedient) for the creation of an executive committee selected from the council of 1910, which requires merely an amendment to the existing council bylaw.

We have been assisted by some little information gathered by the Trades and Labor Council of this city, but Winnipeg alone of the municipalities from whom the labor council has received information is using a board of control. Other municipal institutions in the United States are using government by commission under special charters from the State legislature.

We have to point out to the council that the provisions of the municipal act, authorizing the creation of boards of control, are deficient in making no provision for a quorum of the board. This will create a difficulty that the three members must be unanimous in all their actions, and should a vacancy occur, nothing can be done by the board until it is filled; whilst if one member is absent from any cause the same result ensues.

Furthermore there is no provision for the recall of any member of the board, as is found in provisions dealing with municipal government by commissioners. Twenty-five per cent of the electorate can recall on petition.

Danger of Conflict

There is danger under the present provisions of a conflict of opinion arising between the board and the council, inasmuch as every action of the board of control, as it must be constituted, can be rescinded or varied by a two-thirds vote of the council, and this danger is not guarded against in any way.

We regard these objections as necessitating an amendment during the next session of the House. The existence of the defects would not prevent the council, if they are so determined, from passing the bylaw this year.

We desire to add that it has been explained to us by Mr. Hanna that the desire of the citizens consulted by him is to have it distinctly understood that an up-to-date administrative is sought, qualified and willing to satisfy governmental requirements co-existent with the existing and anticipated growth of the city and the necessarily increasing volume of public work, and is in no way intended as a reflection upon the work of past councils or the present.

What Act Provides

The extract of the provisions of the act under which this city would, should the board of control idea be favored by the electors, operate are set forth by the solicitors as follows:

By section 322b a bylaw is necessary, which may be passed at any time, directing city business for next ensuing year to be managed by board of control. Mayor of the year and two comptrollers to be nominated and elected.

(1) Duration of office depends upon votes—the one receiving the highest votes holds office for two years, and by lowest number of votes, one year, each until successor appointed. (2) Nomination and election are as for mayor. Filling of vacancies requires nomination and election. (3) Qualification same as for mayor of the city. Salary to be fixed by bylaw, whether the first bylaw or subsequent bylaw has to be considered, and apparently this includes salary of mayor as one of the board in addition to ordinary remuneration.

Duties Defined

Section 322c, subsections (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (2), (3), (4), define duties as follows:

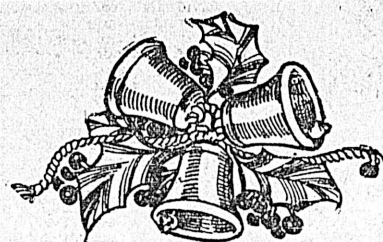
(a) Preparation of estimates and certifying same to council for consideration. Council may not appropriate or expend save upon estimates by board, unless two-thirds of council authorize additional appropriation or expenditure. This does not extend to debenture, principal interest and sinking fund debts, or other lawful debts.

(b) Preparation of specifications and awarding contracts, calling for tenders, authorizing purchasing agent to purchase; report thereon to be made to council next meeting. Tenders to be opened by board in presence of head of department concerned and city solicitor when required. Decision of board not to be reversed save on two-thirds vote if effect of reversal is to increase cost or awarding contract otherwise than as determined by board.

(c) To inspect and make monthly reports or officer of all municipal works in progress.
(d) Nomination of heads of departments and sub-departments in case of vacancy, upon having a favorable report by head of department. Nominate other officers, whether permanent clerks or assistants. Recommend salaries of officers and clerks. But two-thirds of council may remove or appoint without nomination; or a plain majority of council may refer nomination back for reconsideration.

Right of Dismissal

(e) Board may suspend and recommend for dismissal any head of a department and report suspension; re-



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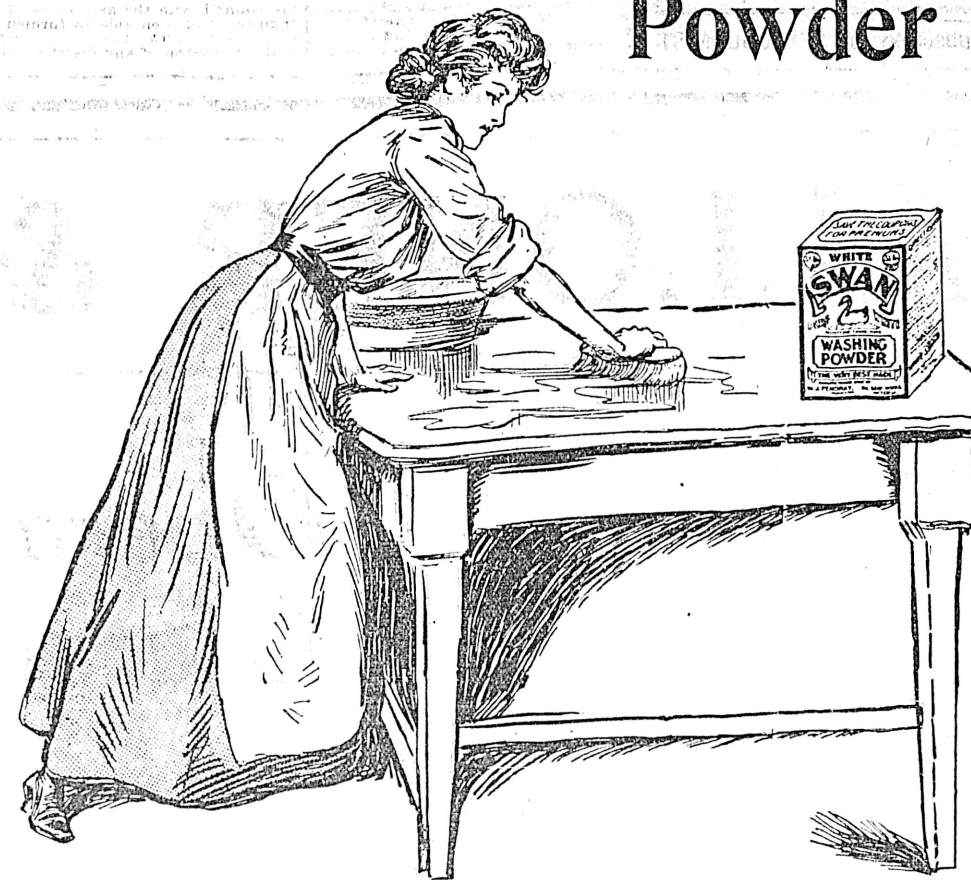
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instatement to be on two-thirds vote of council present and voting.

(2) As to appointment of subordinate officials, unless a bylaw of the council governs the question, the board may direct by whom subordinate officials and employees may be employed.

(3) Board may submit any proposed bylaws. Board may amalgamate departments and sub-departments subject to approval of council.

(4) Secretary or clerk of board to be appointed.

(5) Additional duties may be assigned to board by council. Board at request of council by resolution on one week's notice to give to council copies of minutes of its meetings and all information.

(6) Nothing in this section shall prevent the council by a vote of the majority of the council present and

voting from referring back to the board of control any report, question, matter or thing for reconsideration.

(7) Resolution of council reversing or dealing with action of council requires votes of yeas and nays to be recorded in minutes.

(8) School board, police commissioners and other boards to furnish the board of control, on or before 1st (Continued on Page 17.)

Harry W. Croft will be a passenger on the Princess May, sailing Friday for Prince Rupert.

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THE OUTLOOK.

Local people are showing confidence in the future of Victoria as they never did before, and we are confident that they will find it not misplaced. When Mr. C. M. Hays of the Grand Trunk Pacific was here last summer, in the course of a conversation he said that his company would erect a largest tourist hotel in Victoria. "The Canadian Pacific people find that sort of thing pays," said he "and they are pretty safe people to follow." Mr. D. D. Mann said the same thing when he was in Victoria last October. We did not say anything about it during the election, because we wished to confine the discussion on our part to matters within the four corners of the contract. But it is a fact that it is a part of the programme of the three great transcontinental systems to erect hotels in Victoria, maintain hotels in Victoria, so as to develop travel in this direction. The benefit that has already resulted from the Empress Hotel is very great, and as the years pass it will be greater. The other railway hotels will serve the same end. Those who know attribute very much of the prosperity of Southern California to the fact that by the erection of fine hotels in the cities, thousands of persons have been attracted there and have seen opportunities for investment. This experience will be repeated in Victoria beyond any doubt. But the scope of this factor in progress will not be confined to this city, for we are satisfied that the hotels here will have their branches in many places throughout the Island.

We believe the construction of the Canadian Northern will stimulate a new interest in Victoria and the whole Island. What we now have reference to is not the completion but the beginning of the work. As yet to people outside of a small area the fact that this railway is to maintain ferry connection with the Mainland as an integral part of its system and to be extended to Barkley Sound, has no special significance, for they are not in touch with the situation; but once work of construction has been begun, people everywhere will begin to inquire what it means. The opportunities to get into what is practically a virgin country and to invest in a city, that is already growing and is bound to grow very much more rapidly, are not so many that such signal attractions as Vancouver Island and Victoria present will be overlooked. When people at a distance once realize that what we have been talking about is going to be realized, there will be such a pricking-up of ears among investors in regard to Victoria as this city has never been the subject of.

When the railway is completed what will it mean? It will mean the establishment of great industries in or within easy reach of this city. We are not of those who expect to see everything that exists in the region between here and Barkley Sound brought to this neighborhood to be worked up. Some of it will be; but we look for several towns along that line of railway, where industries will be carried on. There never was a case in the history of the world, where industrial development did not follow transportation facilities through a country rich in valuable raw materials. We have between this city and Barkley Sound a country at least 100 miles long, rich in valuable raw materials and the Canadian Northern is going to provide the best possible transportation. Can anyone suggest a reason why this region should furnish the first exception to the universal rule?

And so we contend that the outlook for Victoria is very bright indeed, and that without taking into account the centering here of grain traffic from the Prairies and the extension of the Canadian Northern system to other points on the Island. Neither do we propose to do more than mention in passing what may be expected from the extensions of the Canadian Pacific

nor of the intentions of the Grand Trunk Pacific in regard to transportation facilities on the Island. We only have in mind the things that we think we have reason to know, and these, in our humble judgment justify the most optimistic views of the future.

SAFETY OF MINERS.

Mr. John Mitchell, who was president of the United Mine Workers for several years, and a coal miner for fifteen years, "coal mining is the most hazardous industry in America." He says that four out of every thousand coal miners employed in America are killed every year; whereas in Europe the average is one to the thousand. He says that in the United States fifteen men are killed every day in coal mines, and estimating the number of working days at 200, this gives 3,000 a year. He attributes this high mortality to the fact that most miners are ignorant of mining conditions. He recommends certain safety devices. One of them was suggested by the Colonist a short time ago, namely, the instalment of a telephone system in all mines. Another is the laying of pipes through all galleries and workings, and yet another is the construction of air-tight compartments. He also says that all stables ought to be removed from mines. The advantage of telephones will be obvious without any explanation. The suggested pipes would be for the purpose of pumping air or liquid food into the mines, and the air-tight compartments would serve as havens of refuge in case of accident. We quote what Mr. Mitchell says on these points, and commend them to the consideration of mine-owners, miners, and the government:

If coal mines were equipped with telephones throughout their workings, it would be possible for men entombed to let those on the outside know the location of the place in which they were gathered, or at least let them know what was their condition. And thus the work of rescue would be greatly aided.

If mines were equipped in all their galleries with pipes through which compressed air could be forced, the needed oxygen could be supplied. And in like manner, it would be possible to supply food, at least food in liquid form, to sustain life for a few days.

No mines are equipped with such devices as these, and my suggestion is not directed to the Cherry mine alone. A very simple device which would be of advantage in all mines, in the event of fire, explosion, or any other accident which would cut off egress to the main shaft, would be the building of a number of compartments, each large enough for a hundred or more men to gather in, so arranged that the doors could be closed, making them air tight. If these compartments were connected with air pipes to the surface, they would be havens of safety for great numbers of men killed in mines, not by explosions themselves, but by the afterdamp that always accumulates after explosions. This is done in European mines, and has been the means of saving large numbers of men entombed through fire or explosion.

IS THIS UTOPIAN?

The observations which follow were suggested by a conversation with a man. We ask the attention of women to them, and shall be glad if some of them would write to us on the subject. We are not so sanguine as to suppose that any reform along the lines mentioned herein can be accomplished at once, but as one can never tell what seed may bring forth fruit, so possibly if we begin the discussion of the domestic problem, some good may result from it.

The man said: "Captain Wolley is right, I suppose, about farm laborers but what I would like to know is how my wife can get a domestic servant." This is not a local question. It is asked everywhere, and it is an exceedingly important question, because, as the man said, "everything rests upon the home, and there is no use talking about social reforms and things like that, if the home as an institution is going to be broken up." He went on to say that no one could regard the assignment of domestic service to Chinamen or Japanese with equanimity, that is if he looked forward to the future. Thinking over this the first idea that presented itself was a mental picture of a trained nurse. Nursing has been elevated to the status of an honorable profession. No one loses caste by engaging in it; indeed it enables those who conscientiously pursue it and gives them a standing, which commands the respect and admiration of all. To this mental picture followed this mental question: Why cannot domestic service be put upon a similar plane? There are hundreds of girls who are better fitted for domestic duties than anything else. The young lady, who can sit down to a piano and render a nocturne or a gavotte or something else in brilliant style, gives a little temporary pleasure to people who appreciate that sort of thing; but she who can go into the kitchen and prepare a meal fit to be eaten is a joy for ever. Most people like a little music every now and then; some people like to look at paintings even if they are not altogether works of art; nearly everyone likes to meet some one who can be entertaining; a good partner at bridge is desirable. But these things are the unimportant things. Everyone likes a good meal and ought to have it. Everyone likes to have his or her house in good order and ought to have it so. These things are essential. We esteem it a fine thing to have some gentle girl or woman look after us when we are sick. Why not have the same kind of people to look after us while we are well? Why is this fundamental service regarded as less honorable than other services?

We all know the old saying about giving a dog a bad name; and that

illustrates one of the reasons why household service is considered ignominious. The word "service" offends our ears. We do not like to be called servants. And yet we are all more or less servants to each other, from the highest to the lowest. Domestic service is looked on with disfavor, at least so we think, not so much because it is service as because it is a sort of undefined service. Probably the "maid-of-all-work" will to a certain extent always be with us, when we can find her; but cannot something be done to classify and organize domestic service? In these days of modern improvements the "improvements" ought to begin at the back door of the house and not at the front. We are supposed to build our houses to live in, but unfortunately many of us think more of having something that will look well on our days at home. Suppose a guild of domestic servants were formed, membership in which should only be permitted to qualified persons. Suppose next that this guild should prescribe certain rules under which its members would work. These would relate to household conveniences and to the scope of household work. If the member of the guild took a position as cook, let her be cook; if cook and housemaid, let her be cook and housemaid; but let her duties be defined. To make the system complete there ought to be an auxiliary organization of men or boys, who would undertake to do the work of providing fuel carrying out ashes and the rougher work about a household, and one person could probably attend to the requirements of a number of houses every day. We will not follow this idea out, because it is a matter for women to deal with. But is there not here the germ of a practical idea that would help solve the problem of domestic service? People who are wealthy enough to keep a man to do the rougher work around a house, have no great difficulty in getting and keeping female domestic servants; those who have the greatest trouble along this line are those who can only keep one servant at a time. Is there not a remedy for their difficulties somewhere along the line above suggested?

The W. C. T. U. has secured a permanent headquarters for its work. This admirable institution renders good service, and we have not the least doubt about the citizens responding to its reasonable request for money to meet the payments on the building.

A deficit of \$7,000 in the financial transactions of the Fall Fair will be a very unpleasant surprise to the citizens, although the new building accounts for much of it. We are not disposed to indulge in any moralizing this morning; but there seems to be an important lesson in this. Nevertheless the Exhibition must be continued.

We venture once more to offer the suggestion to those who have the responsibility of such things that the title "Honorable" ought to be held of right by all ex-lieutenant-governors. At present it is given by courtesy to them as it is also given to lieutenant-governors in office; but the office is an honorable one and most certainly the official designation "Honorable" should go with it.

The year 1909 has been unusually cold. Why this should be the case no one knows. But cold years have not been altogether uncommon. In the first quarter of the last century there was "a year without a summer" so the people, who were "old folks" forty years ago, used to say. By this they meant that in Eastern Canada there was snow every month of the year. Other cold years are mentioned in the books. Meteorology has not yet advanced far enough to justify even a guess at the cause of the variations in the weather.

Mr. W. E. Oliver will open the municipal campaign by addressing the voters at a meeting to be held in the Broad street hall on Thursday evening. We are very glad that he has taken this course. Never in the history of Victoria were the problems of municipal politics more important than they are at present, and Mr. Oliver has shown excellent judgment in inviting the citizens to discuss them at an early date in the campaign. Mr. Oliver proved a very efficient Reeve in Oak Bay. He seems to have an aptitude for municipal business. His property interests in Victoria are large, and he is unhampered by any connections which might tend to impair his usefulness in the civic chair. We need hardly ask that there shall be a large attendance at the meeting, for there surely will be, because the interest in city matters is very keen just now.

The campaign in the United Kingdom seems likely, as the Colonist has already said, to be concentrated upon the action of the House of Lords. The Morning Post realizes this, and our only surprise is that the Conservative press did not see long ago that this was a foregone conclusion. Some of the Conservative leaders were hopeful that they would be able to present a square clean-cut issue between Free Trade and Tariff Reform; but Lord Lansdowne upset all their calculations on that score, and enabled the Liberals to select the very issue, which they were most anxious to have. As we have already said, the brief time between dissolution and the election will not permit of the formulation of any definite plan of tariff reform, much less to enable its advocates to convince the great body of the electorate as to its desirability. While the Conservatives may triumph, it seems at this distance as though their leaders had made a great tactical blunder.

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So why not come in and choose at your leisure from complete assortments, and let us deliver at a date to suit you? You'll find it the satisfactory way.

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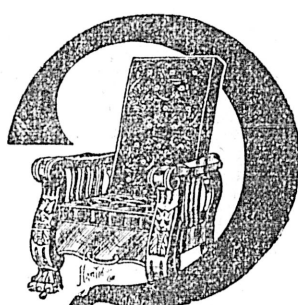
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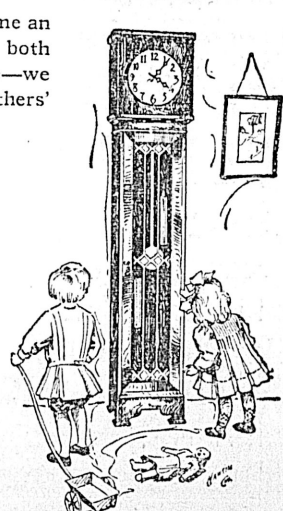
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News of the World in Brief

CANADIAN

Mayor of Regina.
REGINA, Dec. 6.—Richard H. Williams was today elected by acclamation mayor of Regina.

Boys Drowned.
TWEED, Ont., Dec. 6.—Two sons, aged 5 and 7, of Edward Kehoe, of Actinolite, about five miles from here, were drowned yesterday while skating on thin ice.

Toronto Gambling Joint.
TORONTO, Dec. 6.—Herbert Pollock, a barber, and George Bishop, a cook, were each fined \$50 and costs today by Police Magistrate Denison for keeping an alleged gambling house on Yonge street. Thirteen other men who were found in the place were each fined \$20 and costs.

Wife of Chief Justice Howell Dead.
WINNIPEG, Dec. 6.—Word has been received here of the sudden death last night at Pasadena, California, of Mrs. H. M. Howell, wife of the chief justice of Manitoba. The deceased went there ten days ago, hoping to benefit her health. The chief justice left for Pasadena immediately and the funeral will be held here.

Calgary Civic Election.
CALGARY, Dec. 6.—Only one name will be presented for nomination for mayor tomorrow, that of R. R. Jamieson, the present mayor. Very little interest is being shown in the election generally. There will be elections in three of the four wards for aldermen.

Heaviest Man in Canada.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—The heaviest man in Canada passed away at Quon, Que.,

last night in the person of James Muldoon, aged 54, weight 461 pounds. The curious thing about the Muldoon family is that Muldoon and his five brothers married six sisters.

Cobalt Ore.
TORONTO, Dec. 6.—The cobalt ore shipment last week was over 600 tons.

Conservative Convention.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—The Conservative sub-committee appointed to make a recommendation as to the place to hold the big party convention next year will report to the party caucus tomorrow in favor of Winnipeg in July next. If it were to be held in winter, Ottawa would be favored, but the idea is to hold the convention at Winnipeg in July, during fair week.

Quebec Bridge.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—Deputy Minister of Railways Butler denies a Montreal report that the contract for the sub-structure of the Quebec bridge has been awarded to M. P. Davis, Ottawa, for \$2,500,000. He says the contract will not be let for some time.

Ottawa Fire Chief Dead.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—Chief Provost, of the fire brigade, died today, aged 55 years. He was formerly sub-chief of the Montreal fire brigade. He had been suffering from liver trouble for some time, but his death was unexpected.

Civil Service Wants.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—Deputations representing the Civil Service Federation of Canada and the Civil Service Association of Ottawa, waited upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Minister Fisher on Saturday and urged the government to extend the provisions of the civil service act to the outside service, to increase the scale of pay, and to inaugurate a system of superannuation for the benefit of the outside service. The ministers expressed sympathy with the demands made by the deputations, and said the matter of the extension of the civil service act to the outside service was engaging the attention of the government. The desirability of the system of superannuation being applied to the service was also recognized by the ministers, who promised that the recommendations would receive serious consideration.

Captain Severely Censured.
MONTREAL, Dec. 6.—The evidence tends to show that the captain does not understand the workings of the compass, and the only way he assured himself that his compass was correct was when in sight of ranges. Moreover, he was even ignorant of the names of the makers of his compass, although he had been master of the Athabasca for three years. The lead line was not resorted to, and he does not seem to have taken the most common precautions to avoid danger. Both his scrap log and official log were written in pencil. The spelling was execrable, and on the date of the accident several had been made and observations and remarks added. We consider that his way of keeping logs was both farcical and valueless. Such is a portion of the scathing indictment made by Capt. L. A. Demers and two assessors in the inquiry into the grounding of the steamship Athabasca on the morning of October 13, at Flower Pot Island, in Lake Huron.

Usurer's Agents Sentenced.
MONTREAL, Dec. 6.—Tessie Duva-ney and Josephine Lamoureux, who pleaded guilty while acting as agents of D. H. Tolman, to lending money at extortionate rates of interest, were today fined five hundred dollars each, with the proviso that they remain in custody not more than three months if the fines are not paid. The sentence comes at the end of a long fight put up by Tolman to do usury business in Montreal.

Veterans' Land Grants.
OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—Careful consideration was promised by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Frank Oliver today to the request of the South African Veterans' association for an extension of time to two years for locating their land grants. It was pointed out that if two years' extension were granted the veterans would have time to locate or dispose of their holdings. On the other hand, if they were obliged to sell, speculators would be in a position to buy warrants at low figures. Up to the present time only one-third of the grants have been disposed of.

Fire in Essex, Ont.
ESSEX, Dec. 6.—Fire, probably caused by the explosion of a gasoline engine in Naylor's mill on Sunday, threatened for a time to destroy the entire village. The public electric light plant, a flour mill, and a cash and door factory, all owned by Naylor, were entirely destroyed. The total loss is estimated at \$50,000, with insurance of about \$10,000.

C. P. R. Steamship Business.
MONTREAL, Dec. 6.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., sails for England on the Lusitania from New York this week. G. M. Bosworth, fourth vice-president, sails on the Empress of Britain on January 11. It is understood that important steamship business is the object of their mission.

Royal City Nominations.
NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 6.—Civic nominations today were as follows: For mayor, Mayor W. H. Kearney and John A. Lee. For aldermen (seven to be elected)—J. Carter, Smith, A. W. Gray, George Adams, John J. Johnston, John B. Jardine, A. Hardman, M. Sinclair, J. Cameron, H. Gilbey, J. N. Atchison, C. A. Welsh, J. Blair, P. H. Smith, J. S. Bryson, H. Wison. For school trustees (two to

be elected for two years)—T. J. Trapp, P. Peables and Dr. T. B. Green.

Deserves Hard Labor.
NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 6.—"Ask the governor of the jail to give him the very hardest labor he can devise." With these words, Magistrate Corbould this morning imposed a sentence of five months on Frank McIntyre, who with his half-breed wife was found guilty of having conducted a disorderly house. The woman will be returned to her home in Oregon. The couple had been here eight weeks.

Ties For G. T. Pacific.
VANCOUVER, Dec. 6.—Tenders for the supply of ties and telegraph poles for the second or 135-mile section of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway section in British Columbia have just been called for. It is expected half a million ties and 10,000 telegraph poles will be required. F. Campbell, chief inspector of the western division is here today on his way north after a visit to Eastern Canada.

Snow in California.
REDDING, Cal., Dec. 6.—A phenomenal snowstorm ceased at midnight after ten hours' duration. The storm extended from Chico on the south to Ashland, Ore., on the north. Depths reported were: At Chico, 1 inch; Red Bluff, 5; Redding, 14; Dunsmuir, 24; Yreka, 18; Ashland, 3. The heavy, wet snow clung to wires, putting the telephone and both telegraph companies out of commission. Last night Redding had no out-

side communication whatever. Today not a wire is working south, but everything is all right north. The remarkable storm this early in the season followed the cold snap two days ago. Ice formed throughout Shasta county; something very unusual.

Baby in Fearful Plight.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 6.—For twelve hours, throughout the coldest night here this season, little Earl Campbell, two years old, was locked in an apartment in Kansas City, Kan., alone with the dead bodies of his father and mother, both slain with the weapon found in the dead man's hand. The child's plight was discovered today by neighbors, who had been disturbed all night by his cries, and finally investigated. Forcing the door they found the Joseph Campbell, 32 years old, had shot and killed his wife Saturday night, when neighbors were

at the theatre. The couple had quarrelled frequently. The position of the bodies showed unmistakably that it was a case of murder and suicide. Their one child, Earl, was the only witness, and stains on his dress and hands indicated that he had tried to arouse his murdered mother. When found today he was almost exhausted with cold.

SAN FRANCISCO. Dec. 6.—The lumber steamer Excelsior was driven ashore at Moss Landing, eighty miles south of this city, during the storm last night. All the crew escaped without injury and the vessel is not believed to be in danger. The steamer was loading lumber and could not make headway against the storm which arose so suddenly that there was no chance to get clear of the coast before it broke. The revenue cutter McCulloch has gone to aid the Excelsior.

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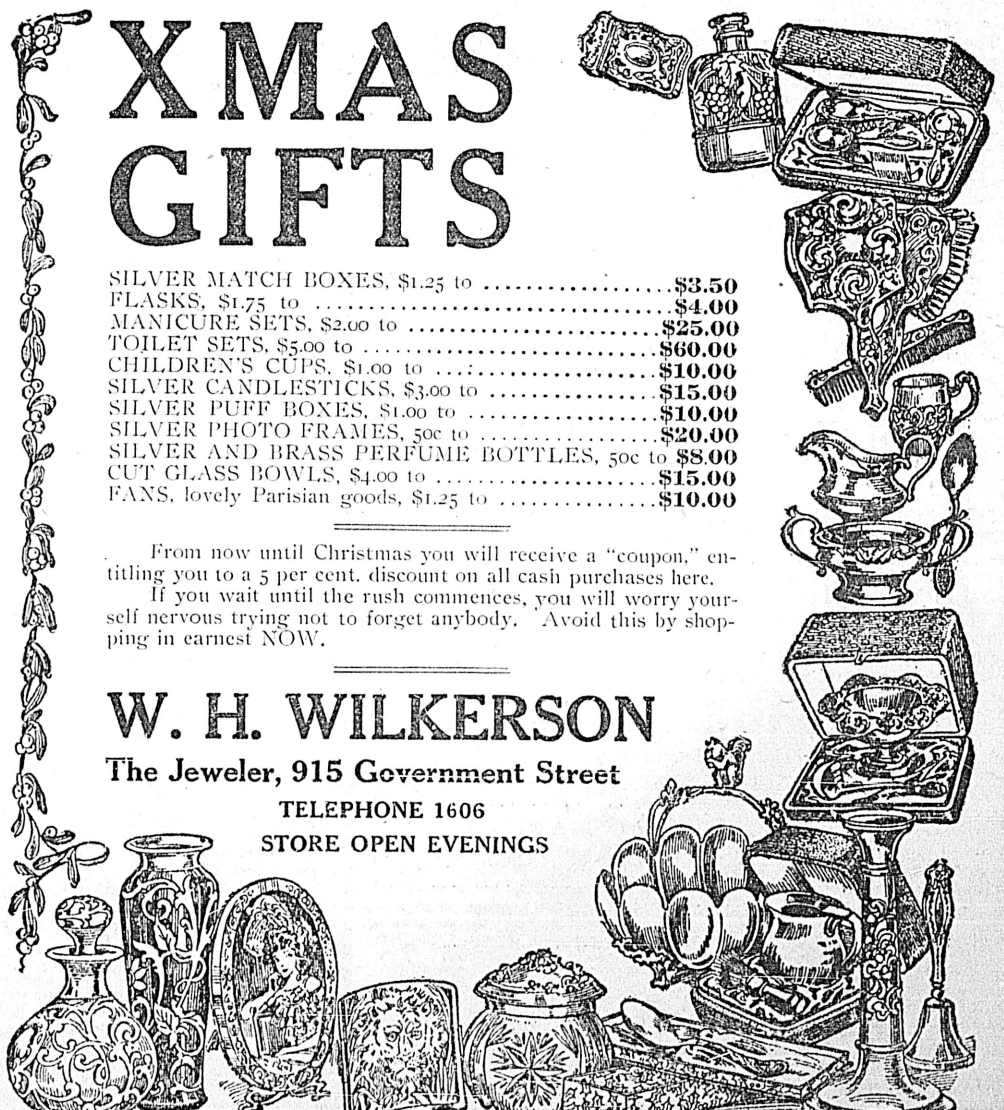
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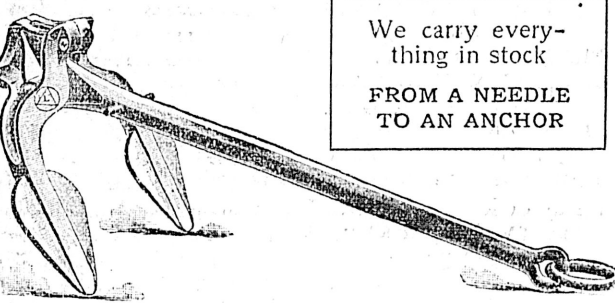
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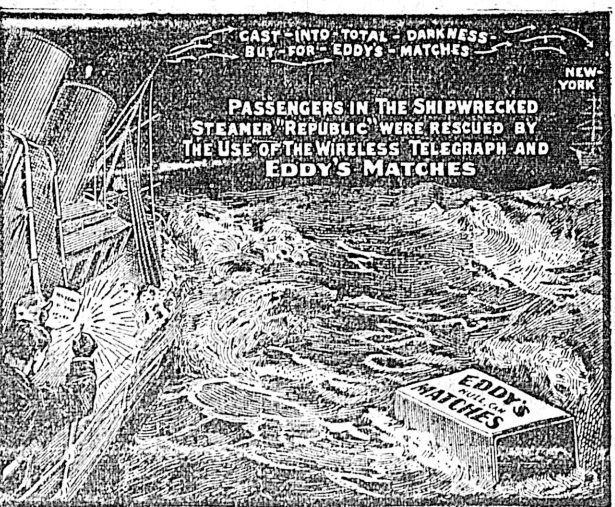
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NEWS OF THE CITY

Mission Christmas Hamper.

Miss Cooke requests that all contributions for Rev. J. Antill's Christmas hamper be sent to Mr. C. Holmes' paper warehouse, 620 Cormorant street on Monday, December 20th.

Frost Delays Work

The continued cold weather has put an end for the time being to paving operations on the Causeway and on Government street between Herald street and Discovery street. Owing to the frost the work of laying the concrete for the pavement foundations has had to cease.

Fire in Church

Fire in the basement of St. James church, Quebec street, occasioned by the over-heating of a furnace, caused damage to the amount of about \$100 on Sunday shortly after noon. The fire brigade was soon on the spot and quickly had the blaze under control.

Assayers' Examinations.

The bi-annual examinations for certificates of competency as provincial assayers began yesterday, at the department of mines, the board of examiners being composed of Messrs. W. Plett Robertson, Herbert Carmichael, and D. E. Whittaker. Two candidates are writing, and the examination will occupy the entire week.

Daughters of Scotland.

Thursday evening in Sir William Wallace Hall, the Daughters of Scotland will have their regular monthly meeting. At the close of the business section there will be a social and dance, good music being provided. Members are requested to donate refreshments for the affair to which all friends of members are invited.

Will Erect Dwellings

Building permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to the Island Investment company for three dwellings to be erected on Quadra street, to cost \$1,750 each, and for two dwellings to be erected on McBride street, to cost \$1,750 each. A permit was also issued to Mrs. E. Rogers for a dwelling on Caledonia street, to cost \$2,600.

Police Stop Skaters

The delights of skating on real ice attracted a large number to Beacon Hill park on Saturday and Goodhue lake was altogether too small to accommodate all. Owing to the thinness of the ice four of the skaters went through. The water in some parts is about six feet in depth and to prevent accidents the police drove the skaters away and refused to permit others enjoying the sport.

Damages Not Great.

Advice received by the Public Works Department indicate that comparatively little material damage was caused by the recent short-lived flood to roads and bridges on Vancouver Island. The most serious road injuries are in the vicinity of Ladysmith, which will require several weeks' attention. The Mill Bay road escaped very fortunately, while as only the approaches were broken away, the Sooke river bridge will be re-opened to traffic during the ensuing few days.

Oliver Will Open Campaign

The first shot in the civic campaign will be fired on Thursday evening next when W. E. Oliver, mayoralty candidate, will hold a public meeting in the Pioneer Hall, Broad street, to which all electors are cordially invited. Mr. Oliver will discuss the civic problems and the meeting will be the first of a series which he will hold. The full discussion of matters municipal is favored by Mr. Oliver who will go fully into the subject.

Looking for Timothy

Superintendent Hussey, of the provincial police department, is in receipt of a letter addressed to "Tim O'Neill, care of the Chief of Police of Vancouver Island." The communication is written by a cousin of O'Neill's named Michael O'Neill, of 122 Excelsior Street, Ishpeming, Michigan. Any one knowing of the whereabouts of Tim O'Neill, who is believed to have been residing on this coast for the past ten years, is requested to communicate with Superintendent Hussey.

But Money Was Gone

On Sunday morning the cash register recently stolen from the store of N. Nagano & Co., corner of Government and Cornhill streets, was found lying in an alley between Fishguard street and Herald street, in Chinatown. The register was badly battered and the drawer in which there was about \$75 when it was stolen, had been forced open and the money abstracted. The thieves evidently after the robbery made their way to the alley and secured the money, throwing away the register. No clue to the thieves has as yet been secured.

Farmer Made a Mistake.

Never having seen a letter box before and marvelling at the many conveniences which city folk enjoy in the way of postal accommodation George Cooper, a farmer from Yellow Pass, Sask., made a mistake on Sunday afternoon when he attempted to mail some letters in a fire alarm box at the corner of Bridge and John streets. The fire brigade responded much to the surprise of the visitor who with his bride was out taking a walk and having overlooked posting his mail at the Dominion Hotel where he is staying took advantage of the "letter" box to convey to his friends on the prairies his impressions of Victoria's beauty and charm. Mr. Cooper expressed his mistake to Chief Davis who cautioned the visitor to beware of fire alarm boxes in future and the incident closed.

Goes Back on Theft Charge

Charged with appropriating to his own use the sum of \$1,500 which, it is alleged, he took from money belonging to the firm of Hall, Forbes & Co., Edmonton, while he was a member of that concern over a year ago, C. Forbes, for the past few months a real estate agent here, was arrested on Sunday at his home near the Willows by Detectives Clayards and Hutchinson, and on Sunday night he left for Edmonton in custody of Corporal Davis, of the Royal North West Mounted police, who came here to take back the prisoner. It is alleged that Forbes, before the dissolution of the firm, collected a considerable sum of money, the item of \$1,500 being but a portion of the total. The prisoner declared that he would have no trouble in clearing himself, and he showed a desire to return and face his accusers.

For London's Poor

Collections were taken in the different local Sunday schools yesterday in aid of the fund that will be Victoria's contribution to the Shaftesbury society of London for a Christmas dinner for the poor youngsters of the world's metropolis. In the past this city has always done something for the starving multitudes of children. This year the prospects are that the fund will be larger than ever before. Envelopes were distributed addressed to A. J. Bruce, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who is acting in behalf of the society.

English Lutheran Church

Dr. E. G. Lund, of Seattle, one of the most prominent men in the English Lutheran church, and a well known educator, will deliver an address at the K. of P. hall tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Lund was for many years instructor in a "bible school" seminary and in other schools, and is now working in the interest of a college and seminary to be established at Seattle by the Pacific synod of the Lutheran church. He comes here as member of the Home Mission board and will advise with Rev. W. C. Drabm, the field secretary, and pastor of Grace church, concerning the mission established here. Officers of the congregation for the ensuing year will be elected at the close of the meeting.

Preparing for Conference

At a banquet attended by members of the district official bodies of the Victoria's Methodist churches, which was held last week, arrangements for the Methodist conference, which takes place here next August, were discussed. It was decided to form a central committee for the management of the many details requiring attention in preparing for the reception and entertainment of the 350 delegates expected from all parts of Canada. The following were chosen as members of the committee: From Metropolitan church, E. W. Whittington, A. Lee, E. E. Wescott, Dr. Clemence; from Central church, W. N. Mitchell, S. Jones; from James Bay church, F. W. Davey, R. Jalland; Victoria West, W. Beattie, A. J. Daniels.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS TODAY

The sixth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the Victoria District Methodist church will be held today. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the session will open at the Metropolitan Methodist church. The programme follows:

2 p. m.—Chair taken by district organizer; devotional led by Mrs. (Rev.) A. N. Miller; words of welcome, Mrs. (Rev.) T. E. Holling; reply, Mrs. J. I. Parsons; organization; reports from circles and bands; music by the Chinese Mission band; reports from auxiliaries; hymn.

3 p. m.—Paper, "Stewardship," Mrs. W. C. Holt; an appeal for workers, local Oriental work, Miss Smith; report of Oriental home and school, Mrs. Snyder; solo, Mrs. W. E. Stenlund; report of annual-board meeting, by Mrs. (Rev.) Betts, president B. C. branch.

4 p. m.—A model mission band meeting, led by Mrs. A. J. Brace; question drawer opened by Mrs. (Rev.) A. B. Devos; offering; hymn and closing. Afternoon tea will be served after the session by the ladies of the Sherwood and Metropolitan auxiliaries. Mrs. F. Adams is district organizer and Miss A. Martin, secretary-treasurer.

TO PRESS CLAIMS OF W. MANSON

Deputation Here From Prince Rupert to Meet Government.

A deputation of prominent residents of Prince Rupert, including Dr. Carss, Dr. W. J. Quinlan, Mr. McLennan, and several others, reached the capital yesterday with the special object of pressing upon Premier McBride the claims of William Manson, minister-elect for Skeena, for Cabinet distinction, particularly in view of the fact that the ministry of finance has yet to be filled. As the Premier is at present enjoying a brief and well-earned holiday, the leader of the deputation intends to advance his arguments at Kamloops, whither the first minister goes direct from the sound on Thursday. Hon. Mr. Taylor is leaving for the inland capital tomorrow, to attend the convention, and it is expected that the other ministers (with the exception of Hon. Mr. Ellison) will try to be present.

A petition is now being circulated in Nelson district urging the suitability of an invitation to Mr. H. A. Wright, M. P., P.-elect, to enter the Cabinet, while others districts (among them Similkameen) are also hoping for recognition. The argument has been advanced that Mr. Manson's chances are weakened in consequence of the north already having an adequate share of special representation by Hon. Dr. Young, while the same argument is urged as to Hon. Mr. Taylor particularly representing Kootenay. It is expected that the re-adjustment of the departments will be announced soon after the first meeting of the executive, when Premier McBride shall have returned to the capital.

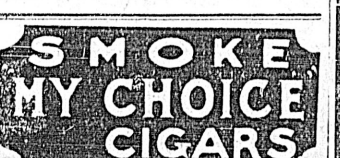
Hon. Dr. Young, who has been expected to reach the city about the present date, is reported stormbound at Log Cabin, and may be delayed for another week, as travel to Skagway is very seriously interrupted.

Croup is most prevalent during the dry cold weather of the early winter months. Parents of young children should be prepared for it. All that is needed is a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many mothers are never without it in their homes and it has never disappointed them.

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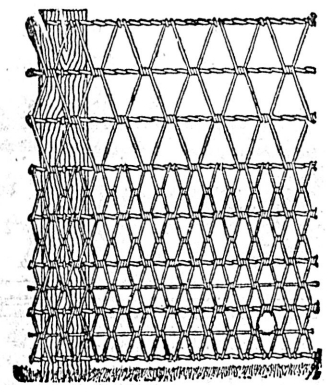
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CASES OCCUPY COUNTY COURT

Two Bills Appear in Court—The List Has Been Fixed

The woes and tribulations of Sam Bill and Bill John, two sons of Sunny Italy, took up a good deal of Judge Lampman's time in county court yesterday. Mr. Alkman appeared for Sam Bill and Mr. Miles for Bill John and about five friends of each principal appeared as witnesses or interpreters.

The trouble was all about \$22.42 that Sama da Bill claimed was due him on a loan from Billa da John. Billa da John he no maka da pay and Sama da Bill he finda da lawyer pretty queek and maka da beeg fuss. It took a long time to thresh the thing out but when the bottom was reached Judge Lampman held the preponderance of evidence in favor of Sam Bill and gave judgment and costs accordingly.

In the case of W. J. Richards vs. James Simpson, a claim of \$16.50 for rent due for premises on Cadboro Bay road judgment was entered for the full amount.

The following cases were fixed: Roberts vs. Elliott—December 8th, 10.30 a.m. J. A. Alkman for plaintiff and J. P. Walls for defendant.

Middleton vs. Winsby et al—December 14th, 11 a.m. D. S. Tait for plaintiff and H. H. Shandley for defendant.

Powell & Sons vs. Barr—December 15th, 10.30 a.m. Sydney Child for plaintiff and H. C. Keefe for defendant.

Goodacre & Sons vs. Simpson—December 15th, 2.30 p.m. H. W. R. Moore for plaintiff and C. Kemp for defendant.

Donegan vs. Corporation of City of Victoria—December 16th, 10.30 a.m. J. A. Alkman for plaintiff and J. P. Mann for city.

David Spencer Ltd. vs. Stevenson—December 17th, 11 a.m. Frank Higgins for plaintiff and D. S. Tait for defendant.

Hunter vs. Cooper was withdrawn by plaintiff, and the action was dismissed with costs.

Prudential Life Co. vs. Harvey, Hardwick vs. J. B. A. A. and Powell vs. Lartwell—Stand over for a day to be fixed.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 6, 1909: SYNOPSIS.

An extensive storm area now centered off Vancouver Island is causing an easterly gale on the Coast, Straits and Sound. Intense cold extends from Cassiar southward to Alberta and in the Yukon the barometer is over thirty-one inches and the temperature 44 below zero. Zero weather is becoming general in the prairie provinces. TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	29	36
New Westminster	23	31
Kamloops	20	30
Barkerville	zero	10
Atlin	12 below 4 b.	
Dawson	21 below 20 b.	
Calgary, Alta.	44 below 20 b.	
Winnipeg, Man.	14 below 6 b.	
Portland, Ore.	4	8
San Francisco, Cal.	28	..
San Francisco, Cal.	40	..

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Tuesday:

Victoria and vicinity: Fresh to high winds mostly easterly and northerly, unsettled with sleet or rain.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly easterly and northerly, fresh to high on the gulf, unsettled and cold with snow or sleet.

SUNDAY.

	Highest	Lowest	Mean
.....	35	28	31
.....	36	29	32

Mon. 4 hours, 24 minutes.

MONDAY.

	Highest	Lowest	Mean
.....	36	29	32
.....	36	29	32

Several cases stand over until next term.

Fifteen aliens were granted certificates of naturalization, and one British citizen, who has been a United States citizen, was re-admitted. Of the fifteen, nine were Chinese, one Japanese, two Italians, one Greek, one Swede and one Hollander.

"ALL IN A GARDEN FAIR IT BLOWS"

And Resulted in a Fine For the Gardener in This Case.

"Out in a bright sunny garden there blooms a splendid rose," according to a very pretty song which we have heard sung; but in this case it was a splendid quarrel that bloomed in the bright sunny garden and the bloom was exhibited before Magistrate Jay this morning. But as both principals are very sorry and as the circumstances were of the variety that police court lawyers love to refer to as "extenuating," the names of the gentlemen who assisted the bloom need not be set forth. Suffice it to say they have names.

One of the pair is foreman gardener in a large estate in the city. The other works under him. But the second man is an older man than the foreman and naturally, like many other older men, he assumed that his bump of knowledge was as big as a football. He wrote letters which were duly produced in court, and in these letters he described certain acts of the foreman gardener as absurd, silly, puerile even. He went further; he told how such things should be done. All this came to the ears of the foreman gardener and, as one might expect, he was sore, or, if not really sore he at least was chafed. The quarrel developed quickly from a bud into full bloom. It attained the latter stage on the afternoon of December 1 when the foreman and his gardener got together to talk things over. One word led to another and then the foreman suddenly forgot himself and swung his sturdy right arm. Said right arm connected and suit for assault and battery followed.

The court this morning considered the extenuating circumstances and fined the foreman \$5.

Two gentlemen who rubbered at the grape when it was ruby were fined \$5 and \$5 respectively, but not respectfully.

No Probate Division

The suggestion made with considerable emphasis by County Judge Grant, of Vancouver, that legislation should be introduced at the forthcoming session to create a Probate Court in British Columbia, as in the Atlantic provinces of Canada, is not by any means likely to be acted upon. Attorney General Bowser points out that under present conditions very little probate work indeed devolves upon the judges of the country court, while no complaint has ever been made by the judges of the Supreme court, upon whom the mass of probate business falls, that it is burdensome. The creation of the new appellate court will lighten their work also, so that the constitution of a probate division is viewed with complete disfavor.

Social and Personal

D. Mark Carley, editor and proprietor of the Ladysmith Chronicle, is spending a day or two at the Capital.

Master M. Lewis returned to the city on Sunday from Portland, where he attended the funeral of the late Mrs. E. P. Lewis, his mother.

Mr. Stephens, local agent for the N. Y. K. line, returned to Seattle on the Charlotte Sunday from a business trip to the Sound.

Brook Vailo and Instructor Findlay returned on Sunday's boat from their successful jaunt to the City of Destiny, Tacoma.

The Travelling Salesman company arrived on the Princess Charlotte on Sunday and enjoyed a day's recreation in this city.

AMUSEMENTS

The Travelling Salesman

"The Travelling Salesman" is a good type of what has come to be known as an American play. It was well rendered last night at the Victoria theatre to a large and appreciative audience.

Pantages

An exceedingly good bill is being presented at the Pantages theatre this week. It would indeed be a very critical audience who would not enjoy the show from start to finish.

Mantel's Marionettes are one of the most laughable acts that have been in this city. Miss Josephine Regal does a high class musical act. Nip and Tuck as acrobats and pantomimists are also in a class by themselves. M. J. Hooley, eccentric Irish comedian; Elwell, and a very laughable subject on the biograph, close the show.

JUDGE GREGORY TAKES THE OATH

Is Congratulated By the Bar and Hears Cases in Chambers

When Judge Gregory ascended the bench in Supreme court chambers yesterday morning for the first time he was met by the welcoming smiles of the entire court room. H. D. Helmecken, K. C., who as counsel in one of the first items on the list addressed his lordship took occasion to compliment him gracefully on his elevation.

There were several cases up for consideration and the court disposed of a majority of them. Laird vs. the Willow River company, an application for a commission to take evidence, was represented by Messrs. Luxton, for the plaintiff and Shandley for the defendant. The order was made.

A divorce case, that of Fisher vs. Fisher, with Mr. Alkman for the petitioner, asked for direction as to the trial of the action and an order was made for oral evidence before a judge alone.

Letters of administration were granted in the estate of the late Mary M. McQuade, Mr. Shandley for the applicant.

Barlind vs. Geen was an application for leave to issue a writ and to serve same out of the jurisdiction. The order was made with ten days fixed for appearance.

Applications for probate were granted in the wills of A. D. Hedley, Olive Northcote and George Jacques.

Mr. Yates representing Arthur Bell, made application under the Lands Registry Act for permission to file a subdivision of land plan.

Re Wilson vs. McClure, Mr. Eberts for the plaintiff, Mr. Roberts for the defendant an order was made on an application to add parties as defendants. Costs in the cause.

The formal oath of office was administered to Mr. Justice Gregory before, Mr. Justice Irving. Mr. Helmecken addressed the new judge as senior member of the bar present and in the following words:

"Before your lordship takes up the business before you this morning I desire, on behalf of the bar practicing there, to extend to you our hearty congratulations on your appointment. We hope that health and strength will be given your lordship, and that you will be long spared to discharge the high duties devolving upon members of the bench.

"It is gratifying to know that while you are on the bench in this province your venerable father has also occupied high judicial office in your native province. It is a signal honor to any family. I do not know whether other such instances have occurred in Canada. It certainly is a matter which adds to our pleasure that your father is still with us and is thus able to hear of his son's attainment of this high honor."

His lordship rising, said: "Mr. Helmecken and gentlemen of the bar. I thank you sincerely for the kindly way in which you have expressed your congratulations and good wishes. I assure you it will be my aim to maintain the highest traditions of the bench. So far as in me lies I shall be absolutely fair and just in my treatment of litigants and of any late brethren at the bar. If I make mistakes, as all are liable to do, I shall be only too happy to have them pointed out and to correct them."

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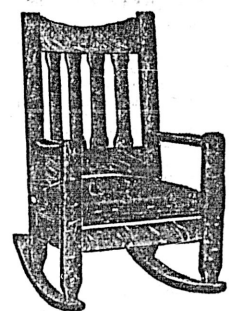
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British Columbia has shown itself prompt to join in the movement which is spreading all over the Empire for the formation of brigades of Boy Scouts. Already, from Montreal to Victoria lads are being enrolled.

Nothing that has yet been done is likely to be more effective in making the Canada of the future ready for its own defence, and to play nobly its part as the most important of the Overseas Dominions than this work that is going on among the boys.

If the youth of Canada feel that no man can honorably refuse to bear his part in the defence of his home and his country, there is no fear that when the time of trial comes they will fail in their duty.

Without readiness and the spirit of patriotism which ensures it, the finest navy and the most perfect equipment would be useless. With it, all history tells us, men can overcome great difficulties and fight against any odds. This spirit the movement of the Boy Scouts is admirably calculated to foster. At the same time the boys will learn many things that will fit them for the life of the future.

The scout differs from other soldiers in the army in that he must depend upon himself. He is not blind obedience. It is true he must shrink from no duty, however difficult; he must carry out his orders at whatever cost. But as to his methods, he must rely on his own ingenuity, and follow his own initiative. Boys so trained are likely to be as successful in the world of business or of affairs as they will be if they are called to the battlefield.

If there are any mothers who fear that if their boys join the Scouts they are likely to grow rough and hard, the following extract from General Baden-Powell's "Scouts for Boys" will show that if the intention of the founder of the movement is carried out this is very far from being the case. Talking of the Knights of the Round Table, the general says:

"In the old days the knights were the scouts of Britain, and their rules were very much the same as the scout law which we have now. We are their descendants, and we ought to keep up their good name and follow in their steps."

With great ceremony each of these knights made a vow by oath always to act as follows: To reverence God. To be loyal to the King. To be kind and merciful to all. To always be courteous and helpful to women. To keep from fighting except in a high and just cause. To be always honorable and true. To be always obedient to the laws of knight-hood. Among these laws of knight-hood it was enacted that a knight must always be prepared with his armor on, to fight for the right—to defend the poor and the weak, and his country. He must never be a miser.

He must maintain the honor of his country, although it cost him his life. He must do his duty with cheerfulness and grace, his main duty being to do good to others. Some of his homely illustrations are very striking: "We are very much like bricks in a wall—we each have our place, though it may seem a small one in so big a wall. But if one brick gets rotten, or slips out of place, it begins to throw an undue strain on others, cracks appear, and the wall totters."

Few of us would wish for our boys a better standard than is to be found in the following lines:

"On becoming a scout you promise your honor three things: (1) To be loyal to God and the King. (2) To help other people at all times. (3) To obey the Scout Law." Again he says: "A Scout will sacrifice his life to save his pal or even a stranger, for the matter of that—especially if the stranger is a woman or a child. A good Scout is full of courage. He can find a way out of any difficult or discomfort. One of the chief duties of a Scout is to help those in distress in any possible way that he can. You need not wait for war in order to be useful as a Scout. To do any day, wherever you may be. When you meet a boy of a different religion from your own, you should not be hostile to him, but recognize that he is like a soldier in your own army, though in a different uniform, and still serving the same King as you. Again: 'Religion is just. To believe in God. 2nd To do good to other people.'"

There is in these words a spirit of manly piety too much lacking in our twentieth century teaching. We cannot think that boys so taught shall grow up to be wantonly cruel or to rush into war without grave cause and a deep sense of responsibility. But it is not only to their fellow-men that the boys taught their duty. They must be kind to animals. Killing them except from necessity is forbidden. A love of nature and all its aspects is likely to be fostered in the lads, who when on duty, spend their time in the open and far from the city and of the other senses will be cultivated in them. Self-indulgence of any kind is against the scout law, so we are not surprised that Baden Powell is an enemy of tobacco smoking among the boys.

The little lads who, on Saturday showed that they feared neither the cold nor the knocks from hard frozen ground proved themselves true pioneers of the movement in this city. There is plenty of room in and around Victoria for many more companies of scouts and mothers need not fear that boys will be the worse for joining its ranks. The boys scouts are not likely to fall into the faults of selfishness and love of ease that are at the root of so many of the evils of the present day. Vigor of intellect, strength of body and genuine goodness fit men for life in the workshop and the market place no less than in the battlefield.

Now that we are being told that we should do our shopping early, many women are stopping to think very seriously about their Christmas giving. Why is it that the majority of us crowd our Christmas shopping into the last few days of the season? There are many who, if they were honest with themselves would say that it is strong enough to overcome all other considerations. It is not that we really care more for our dear ones on Christmas Eve than on other days in the year, but that everything seems to sink into insignificance with our desire to please them. This is why sometimes, it is found when Christ-

mas is over that we have spent more than our means warranted. Yet even for those who give from the only motives for which a gift should be given from those of love and pity, it is not better that time should be taken both to choose the gift wisely and to count its cost? We could thus very often be enabled to choose that which would please better, without causing ourselves self-reproach.

There is, so it is said, much giving of another kind. There are gifts which cause no sacrifice to the giver and give no pleasure to the receiver. These Christmas presents, if such there are, and truth to tell, of this, the writer has doubts, had better be bought at any other season than this.

There are a few happy people who have both the will and the power to give liberally not only to their relatives and friends but to those who need at this season of the year when charity loses all its coldness and when even the most sensitive pride does not feel hurt by help kindly given. There is no time in all the year when the wealthy women with a heart as big as her purse is more to be envied than now. And such a one will not forget the gentle thoughtfulness which will spare those who are the instruments of her bounty any added or unnecessary weariness. And yet why should anything but gladness be felt that any make good at will? Is not the feeling that makes many regret that their gifts must be small and that causes unwillingness to receive what cannot be returned one unworthy of them and of the season?

So let most of us purchase with happy loving hearts our little gifts taking time to choose them as wisely as we can and feeling sure that those for whom they are intended will understand how much of thought and love go with them.

We are asked at this season to remember the sick and the suffering. An appeal has come from those who are working for the sanitarium that those who send away Christmas letters or Christmas presents should use the stamps which they have for sale. This may seem to each purchaser a small thing and scarcely worth while. There is too, on the part of some, a reluctance to connect the idea of sickness with the good wishes they send to distant friends. And yet the amount contributed if given by all who use the mail at this season would not be inconsiderable. Many who could not be otherwise be cured are helped by the anti-tubercular society and surely this is one of the ways by which all may honor Him by whom the cry of suffering was never unheeded while he dwelt among men.

The usual monthly meeting of the women's committee of the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage, was held at the city hall yesterday.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to all who had so generously assisted in making a successful and profitable bazaar. The financial results amounted to \$182.25, expenses amounting to \$17. Gratitude was also expressed to the Ladies' Musical Society for the use of piano and chairs, also to the members of the First Presbyterian Church for use of tables and trestles. Special mention and thanks were also tendered to those whose vocal and musical talents rendered the enjoyment of the two evenings so delightful and interesting. Fletcher for kindly loaning the gramophone. Miss Allen has accepted the matronship of the home, much to the satisfaction of the committee. Mrs. Tuckey's generous donation of clothing will add very materially to the comfort of the children, and has been received with grateful thanks. The cellar has also been enriched by a generous donation of half a ton of potatoes from Mr. H. Ruckle, of Beaver Point. The larder is also enriched by gift of jam and fruit from Mrs. McLeod, of Beaver Point, and the cellar by half a ton of coal from Mr. Bradley Dyne.

Mrs. C. J. Todd and Mrs. Munie were appointed visitors for December. Bills were paid amounting to \$195.80. Mrs. McLeod was welcomed as a new member of the committee. The coming Christmas tree will be held at the home on Wednesday, December 29th, from 3 to 6 p. m. The report of the home committee and the generous list of donations next followed, after which the meeting closed with prayer.

Donations for November.

Mr. Tony Silve, 12 lbs. butter, 2 glassware, baskets, fruit jars, tin, and cooking utensils; Mrs. A. W. Tuckey, 7 pairs of drawers, 5 aprons, books, and pictures; Mr. Henry Ruckle, Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, half a ton of coal; Mrs. E. McLennan, Beaver Point, bag of peas, 24 jars of jam; Mollie and Tertius Hibben, 50c; Mr. Fred. Fawcett, 5 lb. candy; Mrs. C. F. Todd, 2 sacks cabbage; Mrs. Dunsuir, \$5; Mr. J. W. Wilson, 40 pairs boys' drawers, two overcoats; Mrs. W. H. Dempster, 20 lb. sugar, girl's coat, boy's pants; Mrs. Graham, clothing; A Friend, clothing; Judge Irving, box of cake; Mrs. Few, sack of apples; girl's cloak; Brackman & Ker, a quantity of wet sacks from the fleet; Barber Bros., toys, books, games, pencils, pictures; Mrs. Bradley Dyne, Sidney, half a ton of coal; Mrs. J. W. Williams, per Mrs. Robert Croft, clothing; St. Mark's Church, Boleskin road, 30c; Mrs. W. H. 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TERRIBLE FALL OF CUP HOLDERS

Y. M. C. A. Basketball Champions Bite the Dust in Match With V. W. Last Night

MARGIN OF FOUR
POINTS AT FINISH

Champions After Leading in Opening Half, Went to Pieces Towards End

Victoria West won the first basketball match of the season. By 22 to 18 the Y. M. C. A. seniors, for two years local champions, and practically invincible for that period, went down to defeat before the green jerseyed lads from across the harbor. The match took place at the Assembly hall rink before a good crowd. It wasn't a particularly good exhibition.

The champions looked like real winners in the first half. They romped about the hall like school kids enjoying recess. Carelessly quick in their combination, and fairly accurate in shooting, the Wests appeared outclassed. Certainly the indications, at this stage, were that the cup holders would have another cinch. The half ended with Physical Director W. G. Findlay's youngsters leading. Score, 9 to 7. With the resumption of hostilities came a change. The champions no longer did as they wanted with the ball. They found themselves, as much to their as the spectators surprise, being outplayed, out-generalled, and outplayed in every sense. The greens had come on the floor refreshed and stimulated, and they went after the Y. M. C. A. like terriers after a rat. Quickly the score was evened, and soon the Wests were leading. Gloriously, Physical Director Findlay watched his protegee crumble to pieces before the onslaughts of the enemy. Nothing they could do could avert the impending disaster. It came very soon, for the score mounted, mounted, in lopsided fashion, until the Wests, triumphant, and cheered by frantic rooters, put the finishing touches on their victory just as Referee Sam Lorimer announced the expiration of time. Messrs. McKittick, Whyte, and Petticrew did most of the scoring for the Y. M. C. A., while Messrs. Brown, Bailey, and Corkell put in the baskets that won the match.

The teams follow:
Y. M. C. A.: Guards, O'Neil and Jenkins; centre, Corkell; forwards, Bailey and Brown.
Y. M. C. A.: Guards, Baker and Roskam; centre, Petticrew; forwards, McKittick and Whyte.

MERRY CROWD OF SKATERS AT COLWOOD

Skating is the boss sport these balmy days. Good, bad, and indifferent skaters have taken their iron from dust-laden

shelves and joined the merry throng. They are thoroughly enjoying the cold weather. The others, who go about heavily clad, or crouch over blazing heaters, envy the skaters their good spirits. To the one the exceptional winter conditions brings its compensations, while to the other, it is nothing but excessively annoying.

Colwood is the centre of attraction. There are other places about the city where the ice is smooth and solid. At Glenford avenue there is an expansive swamp that is very much frequented. The Beacon Hill park lakes are not yet safe, although the small boys are using the ice there for slides. So Colwood holds the palm. The only complaint the sportsmen and sports-women have to register is that it is so far away from the city. Upwards of two hundred took the E. & N. train for the scene yesterday morning. They remained there the whole day. There were no accidents, and, if reports be credited, the party hooped it up in great style all the time, and returned with a healthier glow in their cheeks and a brighter sparkle in their eyes.

While on the subject, a word is apropos regarding Proprietor Wales. All skaters know that Colwood Lake is on private property. It is within the limits of Mr. Wales' farm. He doesn't object to his visitors, but he charges them for the privilege so freely bestowed. On Sunday each individual paid 50 cents. Now Victoria skaters appreciate the fact that he endeavors to keep the ice in good condition, but they consider his fee a little exorbitant. "Surely," one remarked, "25 cents is sufficient." And that is the consensus of opinion. Mr. Wales, it is merely a hint.

LAST OF EMPRESS CUP RACES TODAY

Today is fateful for those entered in the race for the Empress cup. This afternoon the final one mile race, under the auspices of the club of that name, will take place at Beacon Hill. Two of these contests already have been held, and as a result, Messrs. Sharpe and Stirling, with five points each, indicating that they have a first and a second to their credit, are expected to give a splendid exhibition in the last and deciding struggle. Which is most likely to take the plum is a question some able prophet will have to answer.

Possibly neither will figure in the first places. They should, according to the "dope," but it mustn't be forgotten that they are opposed by worthy rivals. There are two of these, namely, Tribe and Lucas. Tribe, needless to say, is a whole host in himself, while Lucas, the "Dad" Turnbull of the Empress club, must be reckoned with. The prizes will be presented to the winners on the conclusion of the match. Mrs. H. Jackson, wife of the assistant manager of the hotel, will do the honors.

WILL YACHT CLUB ENTER CHALLENGE?

If Victoria receives official notification of the change in the Dunsuir cup yacht race rules providing for 27 instead of 29 foot craft within a few days it is altogether probable that a challenger will be constructed here to enter the international trial.

Should there be any further delay it is highly probable that there won't be any regular race of the kind indicated. Time is creeping on. To design and build a racing boat between the beginning of January and July, when the big Northwest Yacht meet takes place in Victoria, is no easy task. Indeed, it is looked on as necessitating such a rush that the best re-

sults are by no means assured. Hence it is declared, in Victoria as well as in yachting circles of the different adjacent cities interested, that unless some agreement is reached and everyone apprized of it immediately, it is likely that the feature of the annual meet will be wanting in 1940.

That the alteration of the regulations, reducing the cost of the aquatic racing machines twenty-five per cent, will be adopted, there is no further doubt. Vancouver has endorsed it. Seattle thinks it a good thing, while Victoria is heartily in accord, in fact, very anxious that yachts of the size of the Alexandra and the two Spirits should not be required. That is the situation. The only question is: "Will some final and unalterable decision be made known right away so that construction may be started in time to turn out the boats for the Victoria summer meeting?" All real yachtsmen sincerely hope so.

Meanwhile the Victoria club is prospering. The membership is increasing and everyone is entering into the work of arranging for the big meet enthusiastically. Tonight a meeting will take place at the organization's quarters and that it will be largely attended there isn't any doubt.

THREE IN EMPRESS BILLIARD HANDICAP

Only three remain in the Empress hotel billiard handicap, the last to retire being Macdonald, who went down before Taylor, by a score of 250 to 230, in a match played last evening. Besides Taylor there remain in the running Messrs. Paget-Ford and Youle. The final matches take place at an early date.

WITH THE BOWLERS

On Saturday night Victoria rolled a total of 2,539 in the British Columbia Telegraph League, which is a great improvement over the previous week's score.

Mr. T. Fox put up the highest score, 212, while Mr. H. W. Fraser won out from C. Steers for high average by one pin. The score book showed the following game:

	1	2	3	Tot.	Ave.
H. W. Fraser	179	193	205	577	192.1
T. Renfrew	158	170	131	459	153
T. Fox	164	182	212	558	186
J. Renfrew	125	110	134	369	123
C. Steers	190	182	134	506	169
Total	896	857	876	2539	846.1

Bachelors vs. Benedicts.
This week several interesting matches will be on the programme, the most important being that of the Bachelors vs. Benedicts. The single men still think they have have it over the married bowlers. So a match for \$25 a side has been arranged.

All Stars Coming.
Mr. R. H. Cliburn, manager of the famous Vancouver All Stars, dropped into the alley last week and made arrangements for the visit of his crack aggregation to this city in the near future. The Stars have been greatly strengthened by the signing on of Mr. G. Ahrens, who is considered by all followers of bowling as the best left-hand ten pin expert in the world.

FIRST DIVISION SOCCER				
	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Victoria West	3	0	0	10
Garrison	2	1	2	6
A. O. F.	2	1	2	6
J. B. A. A.	1	2	2	4
Esquimalt	0	6	2	2

ALL ALONE HE GAVE VICTORIA A PLACE

Brook Vaio Was Star of Big Indoor Meet Under Auspices of Tacoma Y. M. C. A.

TACOMA, Dec. 4.—For the second successive time the Tacoma Y.M.C.A. athletes won the Pacific Northwest Y.M.C.A. indoor championship in the meet held here last night in the fine new local gymnasium. Tacoma piled up a total of 22 points, almost twice as many as Portland, its nearest competitor. The overwhelming victory of the local association was, in a large measure due to its greater representation in all the events.

The meet was the most successful of its kind ever held in the Northwest, both in point of performances and in attendance. Four new records were established, while every seat in the gymnasium and gallery was occupied and many spectators stood up along the walls.

Two new records were hung up by the Tacoma athletes. In the 440-yard dash, J. S. Gerard was a rather easy winner, making the distance on the curved track in 1:03.3-5. Ben Farrell, the Tacoma high school long distance runner, won the mile run in the time of 5:07, clipping 14 seconds of the previous record.

Victoria Man Stars.
One of the most remarkable performances of the meet was the victory of Vaio, the lone Victoria entry in the three standing broad jumps. The Victoria man jumped 31 feet and 11 inches over two feet better than the previ-



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Enthusiasm High.
The meet was well conducted while enthusiasm ran high throughout. Tacoma took the lead almost from the start and kept adding to it. From first to last it was a pretty fight between the other four teams for the next highest honors. Only five points finally separated the second and fifth teams. Seattle was represented by 12 men

Promising Sprinters With Their Trainer



TRIO Y. M. C. A. ATHLETES
Brook Vaio, who broke Tacoma standing broad jump record and won for Victoria third place in big indoor meet; W. F. Findlay, physical director and trainer; H. Beasley, a young sprinter with a future.

ous record, and almost three feet further than his nearest competitor last night. The fourth record broke last night was in the high jump in which St. John and Sheets of Portland tied at 5 feet 5 inches.

Though Gerard of Tacoma nosed him out for the individual honors, the work of Vaio was the most spectacular. He was the only athlete sent to the meet by the Victoria association, but he landed third place for the British Columbia city and had second place won when the Portland high jumpers came in at the last moment and carried off the principal places in

the next largest team to Tacoma's, but the Elliot Bay athletes could not do better than fourth place. Portland won second through its strength in the pole vault and high jump.

The first two events on the programme were close. Vaio winning out in both only by inches. In the second event, the 30-yard hurdle, a special final had to be run as two of the men tied in one heat and the time of the two heats was the same.

Summary.
The summary of events follows:
26-yard dash—Won by Vaio, Victoria; second, MacKinnon, Seattle; third, Gerard, Tacoma. Time, .032-5.
30-yard hurdle—Won by Vaio, Victoria; second, McGinnis, Everett; third, Holcomb, Seattle. Time, .041-5.
440-yard run—Won by Gerard, Tacoma; second, McGinnis, Everett; third, Holcomb, Seattle. Time, 1:03.3-5.
Three standing broad jumps—Won by Vaio, Victoria; second, St. John, Portland; third, Hizer, Tacoma. Distance 31 feet 11 inches.
One mile run—Won by Farrell, Tacoma; second, Hoy, Tacoma; third, Henderson, Seattle. Time, 5:07.
12-pound shot put—Won by Brusteth, Everett; second, Culver, Seattle; third, Dull, Tacoma. Distance 42 feet 5 inches.
120-yard potato race—Won by Gerard, Tacoma; second, Jackson, Portland; third, Morton, Tacoma. Time, .313-5.
Pole vault—Won by George, Seattle; second, Jordan, Portland; third, Brusteth, Everett. Height 9 feet 9 inches.
440-yard potato race—Won by Gerard, Tacoma; second, Holcomb, Tacoma; third, Holcomb, Seattle. Time 1:46.
Running high jump—Sheets and St. John, both of Portland, tied for first; third, Peger, Tacoma. Height 5 feet 5 inches.

VICTORIA IS THIRD.	
	Pts.
Tacoma, first	32
Portland, second	17
Victoria, third	15
Seattle, fourth	14
Everett, fifth	12

the high jump. Besides winning the broad jump in hollow fashion, the Victoria entry showed his heels to all his competitors in the 25-yard dash and 30-yard hurdle race. These events were not included in the programme last year so there were no records. Vaio's time last night will be hard to beat in future meets.

Gerard scored exactly half of the points made by the Tacoma team and won the individual prize. The Tacoma sprinter romped home first in the quarter-mile dash, the 40-yard potato race and the 120-yard potato race. He took third in the 25-yard dash, and this one point gave him supremacy over Vaio of Victoria.

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AMONG SOCCERITES IN THE OLD COUNTRY

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Owing to the heavy storm only three games were played in the Southern League on Saturday. League football results were as follows:

First Division.
Aston Villa, 1; Notts County, 1.
Blackburn Rovers, 0; Sheffield Wednesday, 0.
Bolton Wanderers, 1; Bury, 3.
Chelsea, 4; Bristol City, 1.
Liverpool, 6; Newcastle United, 5.
Middlesbrough, 1; Everton, 1.
Notts Forest, 1; Bradford City, 1.
Sheffield United, 5; Preston North End, 1.
Sunderland, 3; Manchester United, 0.
Woolwich Arsenal, 1; Tottenham Hotspur, 0.

Second Division.
Blackpool, 2; West Bromwich Alb., 1.
Bradford, 2; Stockport County, 4.
Clapton Orient, 1; Oldham Athletic, 2.
Derby County, 2; Glossop, 1.

Victory will next Saturday night be given a rare treat in the moving picture line when the big Ketchell-Johnson match, which recently took place at the Cofroth's arena, Mission street, San Francisco, will be shown for a one night stand at the Victoria theatre.

These pictures were taken to the best advantage, and while Johnson plainly outclassed Ketchell, the latter landed several crashing blows on the black man. Johnson, at the end of the fight, is quoted as saying that Ketchell was the only man who really succeeded in hurting him, and, as he nursed his swollen jaw, he remarked: "That boy do sure enough hit hard, and if he had been a little taller and heavier I might right now have been a has-been."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. Fagan left last night on a trip to Vancouver.

Mrs. H. V. Leigh went over to Vancouver last night on a visit to friends.

C. Bethune left last night on a visit to Vancouver.

J. B. Hobson and son have arrived from Bullion.

O. R. Fergusson, of the Wayside mine, Lillooet, is visiting the capital.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Eastman, from Seattle, spent the week end in town.

Mrs. H. E. Gangson is visiting Mrs. H. P. Athaeson, of Vancouver.

Miss Howell, of Victoria, is visiting friends in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Bishop, of Victoria, are visiting in Vancouver.

Mr. Bernard Schwengers, of Victoria, is registered at the Hotel Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitney, of Vancouver, left on Friday on a two months' visit to Honolulu.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Mollison, of Victoria, are visiting in Vancouver and are registered at the Europe hotel.

Mr. C. Howe, of Victoria, has arrived in Vancouver and is staying at the Winters hotel.

Mrs. W. R. Robertson, of Vancouver, who has been the guest of Mrs. Fred Pemberton, has returned home.

Mr. Jeffrey, of Vancouver, has recently been a visitor to town for a few days.

Miss Nellie Woodrow, of Vancouver, is visiting in Victoria and will spend some time here.

Mr. Ross Turner, of Vancouver, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson, Esquimalt road.

Mrs. John D. Hamberly, from Vancouver is the guest of Mrs. J. T. Coltar, of Victoria.

Miss Agath Manson left on Sunday evening for an extended visit to friends in Portland, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Marmaduke Vittler, from Toronto, are recent arrivals in town.

Mr. R. S. Gordon, from Tacoma, is in town on a short visit of a business nature.

George Barclay and wife, of Kamloops, are visiting the capital, for the latter's health.

A. W. A. Phair has returned to Lillooet from a fortnight's visit to the coast.

E. J. Lane and William O'Donnell, Seattle lumbermen, are at the Empress.

J. A. Russell, K. C., formerly police magistrate of Vancouver, is at the Empress.

N. A. Graham, a well-to-do New Yorker, visiting the coast on pleasure, registered at the Empress yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duplessis and

Miss Ethel Duplessis, from New York are enjoying a short visit to Victoria.

Miss Ernestine Hilbert, from Montreal, is the guest of Miss Lillian Jervis for the next few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Galgan, from Winnipeg, are spending a few days here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Manford, of Vancouver, are guests in town and are registered at the Empress.

Mr. P. West, from London, England, is a recent arrival in town from the Old Country.

W. F. Best, a well known mining man, left last night on a business trip to New York.

Capt. R. G. Tatlow went over to Vancouver last night on the Princess Victoria.

Mrs. W. J. Scott, "Winnitoba," Tennyson Road, will receive on Wednesday and not again until the 2nd Wednesday in January.

Dr. Boyle and Inspector C. A. Crosbie, of the Royal Bank of Canada, are over from Vancouver, and guests at the Empress.

Mr. Dennis Murphy, who has just been appointed a justice of the supreme court, arrived in the city last evening, and will be sworn today.

Mr. and Mrs. James Henderson, of Vancouver, have left to join the colony of British Columbians who are wintering in Honolulu.

Miss D. Dean and Miss Gladys Edmund, of Victoria, are visiting for a week or two in Vancouver, where they are the guests of friends.

Mrs. A. S. Blakemore, of Vancouver, is visiting in Victoria, and will be the guest of relatives here until after Christmas.

Mrs. N. Bergeron, of Nanaimo, was a passenger to Honolulu and the Fiji Islands, by the Makura, and will be away during the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Roderick H. Spellman, from Boston, Mass., are among the many American visitors at present in town.

Charles Moore left last night via the C. P. R. for New York whence he will sail on the Cunard Campania on a three months' trip to the Old Country.

George Cliff, J. W. Williams and S. Tererisa left last night via the C. P. R.

and the Cunard Campania for the Old Country.

Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver last night were E. R. Wood, Miss Foster, M. B. Jackson, Miss Stevens, C. A. Crosby, Miss Turner, R. Shade, C. W. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Maxwell and family, of 1075 Eighth avenue, Vancouver, have left on a holiday trip to Sydney. They expect to be away for six months.

Mrs. Carmichael, who has been spending the last few months in England, has returned to Victoria, and is staying at Mrs. Englehardt's, Government street.

Among the many visitors to Victoria from the Old Country, are Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, from London, Eng. They have been making an extended tour of the Dominion, and expect to stay here for the next few days.

L. W. Shatford, who has just been for the third time elected to the Provincial legislature as member for Similkameen, and this time by a larger majority than ever, his opponent losing his deposit, is at the Empress for a few days.

Miss Hunt, who has been spending several months in Victoria, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leonard Solly, spent a few days in Vancouver recently before sailing by the S.S. Manitoba on the 11th inst. for the Old Country.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gardom, of Enderby, B.C., are in Vancouver, and are staying at the St. Francis hotel. Mrs. Gardom, who was formerly Miss Helen Munro, has delighted numerous Vancouver audiences with her beautiful voice. She is a sister of Mrs. W. B. Saunders, of Vancouver.

THOMPSON CUP WILL STAY IN VANCOUVER

The results of the intercollegiate matches played between Victoria and Vancouver students at the latter city on Saturday follow:

Rugby—Vancouver, 27; Victoria, 0.

Hockey—Vancouver, 1; Victoria, 3.

Basketball—Vancouver, 22; Victoria, 17.

Total—Vancouver, 2; Victoria, 1.

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(Signed) DAN CAMPBELL
November 5th, 1909.

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act" to all creditors of the estate to deliver to the undersigned before the 28th day of December, 1909, full particulars of claims, verified by Statutory Declaration. After such date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

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Mining Department.



Zinc in the Kootenay

The condition of the zinc industry in the Kootenay is anything but satisfactory. The reasons for this have recently been dealt with in the Mining Department of the Colonist. Commenting upon the failure to develop production and to utilize the concentration and smelting plants already erected in the district, it was pointed out that the main difficulty was the limited quantity, and the low grade of the zinc.

Obviously there could be no hope of permanent success unless higher grade zinc could be discovered, or in the alternative, some new industry might be developed in which zinc could be used for purposes for which it had not hitherto been in requisition. In this connection it may not be generally known that one of the foremost metallurgical experts in British Columbia, for some time been working on a development which gives promise of success. Laboratory tests have been satisfactory, and it only remains to submit the process to the severest test of producing a commercial product. On the principle that "Necessity is the Mother of Invention," it would not be at all surprising if means should be found to utilize the large quantity of zinc found in the Kootenay lead ores.

In this connection the Nelson Board of Trade is arranging to hold a convention of mine owners and others interested in the production and market of zinc ores, to discuss ways and means of improving the marketing and disposing of the product. The object of the convention is to elicit all the information available from those identified with the industry. In view of the fact that the only market at present available is in the States, with a duty of \$10 a ton, and a freight rate of \$10, it needs no argument to prove that the industry cannot thrive, or even live, without relief. The convention will be asked to support an application to the Dominion government for a grant towards the heavy expense of conducting scientific experiments to determine the possibilities of utilizing zinc ore in new directions.

It is also intended to ask that the same bounty should be granted to zinc as is at present in force for lead, and further that the duty should be increased on zinc ore products, such as spelter, oxides, etc., which now come into this country, principally from the United States, free of duty or at a nominal tariff.

The Nelson Board of Trade has for many years been the prime mover in securing government aid for the industries of the Kootenay, and if the zinc question is handled with as much skill as was brought to bear upon the lead question, five years ago, there is little doubt that the result will be satisfactory. There can be no doubt that assistance is required.

Price of Fuel

Complaints are rife as to the high cost of fuel in British Columbia, and especially at the coast. The complaint is not justified in the interior, and although the matter will pay for looking into, there is no urgency, and it can wait its turn. At the coast, however, conditions will well repay study. At the present time all the producers of coal on Vancouver Island are charging \$1.50 a ton, f.o.b., at the mine, or the actually shipping point. There can be no doubt that this is a high figure; it is high compared with the prices realized for the same class of coal in any part of the world. For instance, coal of this grade is quoted at the equivalent of \$3 in Cardiff, \$4 in London, \$2.50 in Greenock, \$3 in Natal, \$3 in the Pacific Coast, \$3 in Westphalia and \$2 in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

The price of coal, however, is still determined, at any rate in British Columbia, by supply and demand, and at present there is nothing to prevent the operator charging even more than \$4.50 in the foreign market, although it is probable that he could not increase the price for local consumption without making trouble. In estimating the value of selling price, it is, of course, necessary to take into account the question of cost, and in this connection it must be admitted that the cost of production on Vancouver Island is high, ranging from \$2 to \$2.50; but even so the mar-

Consume Your Smoke

The consumption of smoke is a subject which has not become a burning question in Canada yet. True, there have been numerous complaints in some of the larger cities, such as Montreal and Toronto, and it has been suggested that bituminous coal should be excluded from all residential districts. The subject is one which has received the closest attention in England for at least half a century.

Proceeding have been taken time and again against manufacturers who allowed huge volumes of black smoke to escape from their chimneys. Hundreds of patents have been taken out which profess to furnish automatic smoke consumers, and no doubt some of them possess merit, but it still remains that the best smoke consumer is an intelligent Victoria and Vancouver are interested in this question because their manufacturing industries are rapidly increasing, and it would only be manifesting that spirit of enterprise for which both cities are noteworthy if they were to take time by the forelock and endeavor to make provision to protect themselves against an evil which will undoubtedly grow if it is not checked.

At the Borough Polytechnic Institute, London, under the auspices of the "Coal Smoke Abatement Society," a course of lectures on the training and work of stokers is being given by eminent members of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers. The fee for the course is nominal, and practical demonstrations are given on boilers belonging to the institute before and after each lecture. The students are also taken to visit central lighting and power stations, and other large works where various types of mechanical stokers are in use. This is a precaution which could easily be adopted in any large city; it has an economic, as well as a hygienic foundation, and furnishes the readiest means of training intelligent stokers and combating a public nuisance.

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Leeds Philosophical Hall recently by Professor G. R. Thompson, B.Sc., A.R.S.M., of the mining department of the University of Leeds. Professor Thompson's lecture was divided into two parts—the behavior of firedamp over a safety lamp flame and the behavior of some safety lamps in explosive mixtures. Mr. Isaac Hodges, commenting on the lecture at its close, said he thought colliery owners and managers would see the distinct advantage of testing each lamp before it was taken down the pit. He had been struck with the fact that good, sound, practical pitmen, who knew their "had gas," were quite unable to tell, not the exact percentage, but how near they were to the border line of safety or danger. At the Whitwood Collieries they proposed that their deputies should, during the winter, be regularly taught not only as to the exact percentage of gas that a lamp showed under certain conditions, but what gas capably represented. There was a screw loose in the fact that deputies and managers, testing with the same lamps and the same explosive currents, gave such widely different readings. He was quite sure there was a good deal in the type of lamp and the type of illuminant used, but possibly more in the question of the age of the man and his visual capacity.

Burns' Great Grandson

There are many residents of Victoria who will be touched and interested by the account given in the London Chronicle of the discovery of a great grandson of Robert Burns.

A cheery old copper-smith, bent with half a century of honest labor in a London factory, but still bright-eyed and vigorous, is now to be added to the curiously-diminishing list of the actual legitimate descendants of the poet Burns.

As is well known, there still survives a natural grandson of the poet James Mcneil Burns, who, whose hale old age is being tenderly cared for in Glasgow by loyal Scotsmen. Only a couple of years ago the Civil List included grants to Mrs. Sarah Hutcheson and Miss Annie Burns, of Cheltenham, both "Robbie's" granddaughters. Hitherto, as it happened, the Burns family was unable to claim a living bond with the poet of freedom.

Now, however, there proves to be living and working in the heart of the city, unknown and unhonored save for his own merits, an undoubted great-grandson of Robert Burns himself, in a direct line. His name is George William Pykes. His mother, Anne Burns, was the only daughter of Robert Burns, Junior, the poet's eldest son, who is known to have married in London. She is entered as such in the register of St. James, Clerkenwell, where she was born in 1819.

The old fellow—for he is now 68 years of age—has taken so little trouble to bring himself into public notice that a daily Chronicle representative, who "discovered" him at Messrs. Still's factory, in Charles street, London, found that he had never heard of an ancestry of which he might well be prouder than any Plan-tagenet of his "Norman blood."

None the less, when asked about the matter, the old man attested his origin with no small sense of its worthiness. "I can't tell you too," said he, "but as my grandfather was Burns' eldest son, and my mother was an only daughter—her brother had no children—I really don't know any of the Burns family who should by rights take precedence of me."

Mr. mother, he continued, "whom I remember well, was the very image of Burns himself, with his flashing dark eyes and jet black hair. She could sing, too. She used to sing nearly all her grandfather's songs. I am afraid her father, "Robbie's" son, was not quite everything that he ought to have been, and I know very little of him, but my mother was as good and honest a woman as ever breathed."

Quite apart from his connection with Scotland's poet, Mr. Pykes, or "Sammy," as he is known in the factory—a little man, with not very much of the Burns stamp about him—is an experienced and very old workman, his particular craft of tea urn making being one to which very few of the younger folk are turning their attention, for new-fangled boilers have long put the old brown, hand-hammered tea-urn out of fashion.

He can boast that whilst his father had worked at the same trade for fifty years, he himself has been making tea-urns ever since he was 11 years old, and has been with his present employers for over forty years.

From members of the firm our representative learned that Pykes was one of the best and steadiest and most respected workmen who had ever been in their employ. Some of his special triumphs were to be seen in the showroom, urns of the familiar old pattern that did not less honor on that account to the hand of the patient craftsman.

Of late, to be sure, the decline in the demand for these graceful queens of the tea-table and the inevitable slackening hand of old age have caused poor old "Sammy" some little anxiety about his wage-earning capacities in the years that are left to him. Still, though on the verge of becoming an old man, and not always in the best of health, he does his daily task with a will, and has never been known to grumble.

He is looking forward to the hope of an old-age pension, to which, as he good-humouredly remarks, he will be entitled when he is about the same time as King Edward himself, who is his elder by a month. Needless to say, he is still a keen enthusiast in the poetry and message, the "pith of sense and pride of worth," of his great grandfather, and attends every year the Burns celebration at the Albert Hall.

It may be mentioned, in case anyone should be disposed to help towards making this honest old fellow's prospects a little more secure—for he has nothing but his wages to rely upon—that his address is 4 River street, Myddleton square, E.C.

Tossing in the blanket, which has been forbidden to certain British troops as the sequel to a fatal accident, is a very old sport or punishment. "Blanketing" Ben Jonson called it, and in Holinshed (1577) we find a denunciation of "jesting, placing, blanketing, and such other filthy and dishonourable exercises." The French have a special verb, "berner," for it, "berne" being the name given to the sheet or blanket used. The verb "berner" is also used for the Moorish punishment, in which four men hold the victim by ankles and wrists and send him as high as they can—presumably with no blanket to catch him.

The clean break system in boxing is beginning to find favor on the other side. This everlasting clinching has driven the fight fans daffy and there are desirous of seeing a change. A number of fighters have taken the initiative and there is every prospect that the reform will soon obtain a firm hold.

W. H. ELLIS, Investment Broker

Victoria Realty as an Investment

That there is in progress a very active development of the natural resources of British Columbia is apparent to all. That this development, but in its beginning, those who are well-informed and keep posted as far as may be of the intentions of investors, are well aware. A few years ago and there were some scattering inquiries as to the possibilities of profitable investment in British Columbia. This is all changed, and where there was one inquiry before as to the nature of British Columbia investments there is now twenty for submission of proposals, with the investor well informed as to the possibilities. Hence we have witnessed the investment of many millions of dollars in timber and saw mills, in agricultural and fruit lands, in coal and metal mines, in the fisheries, in shipping, in the extension of present and new electric and other railway lines, and last and not least—because of the others—in city and suburban Realty. From its vast source the profits have been quickly earned, and many hundreds of people have become substantially well-to-do from well placed investments. This has been the case to a greater degree this year than ever before. Vancouver and surrounding districts have far surpassed the richer rewards; but Victoria has now begun to grow at a very satisfactory pace. Had the very extensive civic expenditures in street paving, improvement of water service, etc., the creation of numerous business blocks, the construction of hundreds of residences, and the strong evidences generally of increased business, increasing population and also increased confidence in Victoria's rich future, been present—as it no doubt was—in Vancouver, the real estate transactions would have been numbered by hundreds and not by tens. However, the foundation has been laid and the results are yet to be realized. In addition, through the return of the McBride ministry and the splendid endorsement of the railway policy, Victoria will shortly be possessed of increased railway facilities, while vice and competition in rates, while

the line to Barkley Sound will open a field for investment in exploiting the timber, iron and copper ores, coal, cement, fisheries, etc., etc., which are present along its route, not forgetting the rich agricultural and fruit lands which will then have cheap freights to good markets. There is also the construction of the C. P. R. line north and west, to Alberni and Cowichan Lake, the building of electric lines into the suburbs and surrounding districts, to add to the bright prospects outlined above, what a splendid present Victoria possesses, and what a magnificent future is in store for it! For one has not yet considered its unique climate, its unequalled scenic attractions. Take it the year round, Victoria has the pleasantest and most equable climate on the North American continent. That it will become the residence headquarters of hundreds of wealthy people, men interested in directing the development of the country's resources, and many hundreds more because of its natural attractions and advantages, there is no question of doubt. While as a tourist resort it will be visited by growing thousands yearly as its fame becomes spread abroad.

Now all this being so, is there the slightest reason to question the wisdom of an investment in Victoria business or residential realty? In its suburban and district lands? There can only be one, and that an affirmative reply. There is every factor present in Victoria that has caused the rapid growth of cities the continent over, while the prices of realty are so moderate that no investment made now can have other than a highly profitable result.

While I am not in a position to negotiate the sale of all that is desirable in the way of investment, I have a list of choice business, residential and suburban properties, some of them positive bargains, that are well worth considering, and any of which I will be pleased to submit to investors for consideration.

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Have also a number of choice business locations, improved and vacant, on Government, Langley, Wharf, Courtenay, Humboldt and Johnson streets, on which I will be pleased to quote prices and terms to investors.

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WHY WOMEN SHOULD NOT VOTE

Ralph S. Bond Delivers Interesting Address Before Women's Canadian Club

Admirable reasons why women should not be given the political vote in the old country were embodied in an address delivered by Ralph S. Bond before the Women's Canadian club in the drawing-room of the Driad hotel yesterday afternoon. Mr. Bond is a prominent member of the Royal Colonial Institute of England—and is travelling through Canada in the interests of that organization.

His address dealt with what led to the formation of the Anti-Suffrage league, the arguments being put forward by suffragettes as to why they should get the ballot, and how by reason of temperamental, social and physical reasons the placing of political power into the hands of women would mean giving them the empire to play with.

At a critical stage, such as that through which England was passing at present, the granting of woman franchise, he inferred, would mean national suicide. In the peroration of his speech, in which he dealt with Germany's designs in building an immense navy, he ventured the prophecy that the suffragette movement would be swept aside and forgotten by the horrors of war, just as such a movement had been obliterated some forty years ago by the Franco-Prussian war.

There was a good turnout of members of the Women's Canadian club, Mrs. H. G. Barnard presided, and in introducing the speaker, said:

Introduces Speaker.

"I have much pleasure in introducing Mr. Ralph Bond, of London, England, who has kindly consented to tell us something of an organization in England which has only been in existence for about eighteen months, and of which we have heard very little in Canada. The Women's Canadian club is open to all speakers who are prepared to deal with subjects which bear either directly or indirectly, on imperial problems. And the question of the extension of the franchise to women in the case of the empire, is one of vital importance to all the colonies which are in any measure dependent upon the mother land for defence. While we neither endorse or condemn the movements which are in progress, we feel that in trying

to understand these matters we fulfil the objects of our association, which are, as you know, directed towards the encouragement of unity within our Dominion, and the consolidation of the empire."

She then introduced Mr. Bond.

The guest of the occasion said that when he had been asked to address the meeting he could not understand how such a subject could interest people in this part of the empire. When the anti-suffrage movement had been started in the old country and he had been approached with a view to joining he had first thought that such a movement should be confined to women. Upon considering the matter, however, he had come to the conclusion that there was also work for men to do in that direction.

Continuing, he expressed the hope that the time was coming when Canada and other portions of the empire would be represented in an Imperial Council which would conduct the affairs of the empire. It was only by mutual knowledge and mutual help that a common citizenship, which was the royal arch of imperial unity, could be built. Mutual interests, reciprocity in trade, and a common defence on land and sea were the component characteristics of empire.

Antics of the Suffragettes.

Reverting to the theme of granting the vote to women he said that the people here had heard a good deal of the antics of the suffragettes in the old land. The anti-suffrage league adopted no such methods. Such methods of woman suffrage was now well in the forefront and must in a short time come within the sphere of practical politics. The suffragettes of England had employed methods which meant harassment of the government. Such methods the speaker did not believe could meet with favor in Canada. In England there was no such thing as a political offence. The suffragettes were sent to jail because they offended against the common law of the country. Eighteen months ago the prime minister had received a delegation of suffragettes and had told them that when the women of England expressed themselves in favor of the movement then it was time enough for the matter to come up in parliament. Consequent on this pronouncement an anti-suffrage league had been formed. The women's anti-suffrage league included such well known names as Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the Countess of Jersey and the Countess of Winchester. The men's league contained men who held widely divergent political opinions, such as Mr. Austen Chamberlain, the Duke of Welby, Lord James Balfour, Lord Milner and Lord Cromer.

Both of these leagues have been firmly established, having auxiliary societies all over England. It is an interesting fact that every new outrage committed by the suffragettes adds to the

membership of the anti-suffrage leagues.

The principal claim of the suffragettes in respect to their movement is that they want the extension of the franchise granted to women the same as to men. The speaker pointed out that even if this were done the vast majority of women would remain voteless. Nearly all the married women would be without a vote under the present franchise conditions existing in England. This condition of affairs could not last. The married women would want the vote, but the people of England were not prepared at present for universal suffrage.

In considering the suffrage question it was a noteworthy fact that the suffragettes had behind them the Socialists. Adult suffrage was a part of the programme of socialism as the adherents of this movement thought that this would help their dangerous doctrines.

Universal Suffrage.

Universal suffrage in the old country would mean the addition of nearly 15,000,000 new votes to the voters list. This addition would be for the most part illiterate. The women in England outnumbered the men by 1,200,000. Through universal suffrage England and the empire would be given over into the hands of women. In all Europe there was only one country where women had the vote, namely in Norway. In the New World there were four states in America namely Utah, Wyoming, Wisconsin and Iowa. In the Isle of Man there was woman suffrage, and in Australia and New Zealand.

If the women of England were given the vote then it was quite possible to believe that a contest would arise between the men and women on the question of peace and war. Supposing, for instance, a majority of the men and a minority of the women should be arrayed against a minority of the men and a majority of the women on a question of such vital importance. Why it would resolve itself into a question of force being arrayed against the law. Unless it was possible to enforce the law against all comers then government would be a superfluous end, and anarchy would ensue. The doctrine of moral suasion was a useless one. Take the case of Austria. Not so long ago that country tore up the Treaty of Berlin and Turkey showed an anxiety to interfere. Germany who was backing Austria, massed her forces on the frontiers of Russia, and the latter nation grew alarmed at the sight of bayonets and had to quietly acquiesce. This was an illustration of what force could do, as opposed to moral suasion.

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war, or as first lord of the admiralty. Woman, possibly through a want of training, had not the same executive ability, the same steadfastness of purpose as a man. Her logical reasoning was deficient compared with that of man, as possibly this characteristic had been drilled into the latter through the training of generations.

Women now had the vote in municipal affairs in England, yet it was strange that only one per cent availed themselves of this privilege. If it was woman's privilege to train the youth of the empire who would be the future soldiers, sailors and statesmen. By this means they would be playing their part in handing on the glorious heritage to posterity, the heritage which was embodied in the words, one flag, one King, one empire.

Mr. Bond's address was received with applause. In moving a vote of thanks A. E. McPhillips, K.C., said that the crucial point of the suffragette movement appeared to be that women could not take part in war. The vote of thanks was seconded by Mrs. Roberts and passed unanimously. The meeting came to a conclusion with the singing of "God Save the King."

espionage in the old land; she was building vessels of such a small carrying capacity that it was evident that they could only be directed against a nearby power. The Kaiser was feverishly building a fleet which could only be directed against England. He was seeking to be supreme both on land and sea. One battle in the North sea might decide the fate of the empire. If England were beaten the empire would crumble and then what would become of Canada? He was glad to see that Canada was about to build a navy of her own, but he thought that there was a possibility that it might not be ready in time. Germany was seeking the dictatorship of the world. The Kaiser without consulting any of his ministers could declare war at a moment's notice. This would illustrate how critical the present situation was.

The speaker believed that the suffragette movement might quite possibly be swept away by the horrors of war. Women were dependent on men for the maintenance of the empire. It was woman's privilege to train the youth of the empire who would be the future soldiers, sailors and statesmen. By this means they would be playing their part in handing on the glorious heritage to posterity, the heritage which was embodied in the words, one flag, one King, one empire.

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The waterfront property of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway company on the inner harbor comprises about 480 feet, and according to the plans filed some time ago two big wharves with warehouses and facilities for handling passengers and baggage will be erected. Mr. McNicholl has just received from Prince Rupert, having arrived at Vancouver on Saturday on the steamer Henriette, which completed her first trip under the mail contract secured by the G. T. P. for service between Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Island points. Calls will be made at Stewart, at the mouth of Portland Canal, and at Massett at the north of the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Two new steamers similar in construction to the three-tunnelled liners of the C. P. R., the Princess Charlotte and Princess Victoria, to be named the Prince Rupert and Prince George, are under construction at the yards of Swan Hunter & Wigham Richardson on the Tyne, and will be brought here next summer for the Grand Trunk Pacific steamship service. These will be berthed at the new wharves on the inner harbor for which tenders are to be invited by Mr. McNicholl.

The additions to the British Columbia steamship services next summer will be many. Seven, probably more, new steamers for the coasting trade in these waters are coming. The Purl bought by the MacKenzie Steamship company from an Indian railroad company for the northern trade, is to leave Victoria for this port a week from tomorrow. She will probably steam ten or eleven knots an hour on the voyage from India and will arrive here about February 1. Calls will be made at Colombo, Hongkong and Moji, and after coaling at the Japanese port the steamer will proceed here. On arrival she will be overhauled and will be rechristened.

The C. P. R. is to have an addition of two Princesses and Capt. J. W. Troup is on his way to England with the plans to award the contract for some English or Scottish shipyards for the building of these vessels. The Boscovitz Steamship company is having a new Venture built at Glasgow, and a steamship company, recently formed at Vancouver, the Northern Steamship company, is bringing a steamer from England.

The Grand Trunk Pacific company is very busy on the Great Lakes. The work of dredging out Fort William harbor at the point of the Kaministiquia river is going on sixteen hours out of every twenty-four. This land, which the great dredging machines are gouging out, was worth before the Grand Trunk Pacific began to build about \$89 per foot. Acres of this level land must be dredged to make room for the steamers to go about, and after this has been done a wide roadway of a uniform width of 500 feet will be dredged to the open sea. Naturally after providing a substantial swing bridge to carry the road over the Kaministiquia, the first building to be put up by the Grand Trunk Pacific was a section or a unit of the 40,000,000 bushel elevators. This building is now nearing completion. Among the new industries gathering about the big terminals are the Northern Pyrites company, the Wire Nail company, the Dominion Lumber company, and the Pacific Milling company. A number of other industries have bought or are buying land near the Grand Trunk Pacific tracks, and the new road is giving an impetus to the Upper Lake terminals.

The British bark Loudon Hill from Puget Sound and Dublin had an eventful voyage according to advices received from the Irish port. The Loudon Hill, Capt. E. J. Locke who is a brother of Capt. L. Locke of the steamer Amur, reached Dublin on November 30. Two men were lost from the craft and the first mate became hopelessly insane after suffering untold agonies for days at sea with an injured foot. The vessel was battered by storms in the vicinity of Cape Horn and was delayed 52 days at Montevideo while repairs were effected.

The Loudon Hill arrived at Dublin after a passage of 314 days from the Sound and Capt. Locke, writing from Montevideo, said the passage was the most terrible of his entire experience at sea. He will retire at once and return to Tacoma, where he will rejoin his family. He expects to make that city his permanent home. Deducting the 52 days spent at Montevideo, the passage of the Loudon Hill

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

By Government Wireless

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Overcast, wind southeast. Bar. 29.87, temp. 33. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 29.89, temp. 25. A steamer, probably the Queen, passed in, 8 a.m.

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 40 miles. Bar. 29.85, temp. 33. Sea smooth. Passed on the steamer Humboldt, at 7.45 a.m. Passed in, two-masted steam schooner, 6.40 a.m.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, an east wind. Bar. 29.69, temp. 33. Sea moderate.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Overcast, wind southeast. Bar. 29.77, temp. 40. Sea moderate.

Cape Lazo, noon—Overcast; wind southeast. Bar. 29.84, temp. 40. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, noon—Clear and calm, south at 10 a.m. Fishing steamer, probably San Juan, north, at 11.30 a.m.; spoke Portland, northbound, at noon, passed Sisters at 1.30.

Point Grey, noon—Clear, a southeast wind. Bar. 29.83, temp. 32. In, Cassiar, at 5.50.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind easterly, 60 miles. Bar. 29.75, temp. 35. Sea rough. Passed on the steamer Annie M. Campbell, at 9.30 a.m.; out, schooner Coal Island, at 9.25.

Pachena, noon—Overcast, an easterly wind. Bar. 29.60, temp. 35. Sea moderate.

Estevan, noon—Overcast; an easterly wind. Bar. 29.60, temp. 35. Sea moderate. Two-masted gasoline fishing schooner passed southwest to east at 11.40 a.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind southeast. Bar. 29.49, temp. 36. Sea rough. No shipping.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Overcast, a southeast wind. Bar. 29.77, temp. 37. Sea moderate. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Overcast, a southeast wind. Bar. 29.66, temp. 42. Sea smooth. Passed in, steamer Governor. Will arrive at Seattle 7 a.m.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Overcast, southeast wind. Bar. 29.46, temp. 46. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Overcast, southeasterly wind. Bar. 29.96, temp. 47. Sea moderate. No shipping.

between the Sound and Dublin was 162 days.

After more than a year's absence at this port, the Loudon Hill shifted to Mukilteo, where she loaded a cargo of lumber for Dublin. She completed her cargo and towed to Port Townsend on April 20 and on April 30 sailed for Dublin. All went well aboard for 52 days, and just as the captain was congratulating himself that he had a splendid start on the voyage, the first accident occurred. Thomas Benson, a young seaman, fell overboard and was drowned, and just 13 days later, while running before a terrific sea, a gigantic sea shipped over the port quarter, carrying ruin before it. Every movable object was swept from the decks, skylights were smashed and doors and windows torn from the chart house. Compasses, lifeboats, wheel and poop rail were carried into the sea. In the sea which wrecked the deck, Frank Elmer, another young seaman, was carried to his death. At McLean, the jolly first mate, sustained a mashed foot. There was not a bone of the foot that was not crushed, and five days after the accident, in spite of every attention that could be shown to him, gangrene set in. For 22 days the mate suffered horribly while his right limb rotted away. On July 30 the Loudon Hill was sighted by the British steamer Orari and McLean was transferred to the steamer which hurried him to Montevideo, where his right leg was amputated. His sufferings proved too much for him, and when the Loudon Hill left Montevideo, he was a raging maniac. When the Orari came alongside to take off the injured mate she rammed the Loudon Hill, cutting a hole in her port quarter.

Capt. Locke says he is through with the sea and has nothing good to say for Cape Horn after his years of acquaintance with that famous spot.

GEORGIA COMING HERE FOR REPAIRS

Temporary Work Only Done at Salina Cruz Where She Was Damaged

The steamer Georgia, Capt. Whittle, of the Canadian-Mexican line, previously reported damaged owing to colliding with the breakwater at Salina Cruz on arrival from Victoria, left the Mexican port last Monday to return to this port for repairs, temporary repairs only having been effected at Salina Cruz. The damage to the Canadian-Mexican liner was greater than at first reported and it is expected there will be considerable work to be done on the steamer when she goes into the Esquimalt dock after discharging her cargo from Mexico.

Surveyors who examined the steamer at Salina Cruz found her lower fore hold extensively damaged. Forty-three feet of her plates were stove in by the stringer, and many frames were damaged. She was leaking badly, and the holes were repaired with cement. It was decided to effect temporary repairs only at Salina Cruz after survey and the Georgia will be drydocked and repaired at Victoria.

Received Payment

Harry Copp, son of Capt. Copp, of the Vanior Belle, a sealer, seized by Russia sixteen years ago, who is in the city, says the members of the crew have just received the sums due them on account of their individual claims. The sum of \$43,000 was paid over to the owners some weeks ago.

DEATH'S HARVEST OFF BRITISH ISLES

Lost Isle of Man Steamer a Historic Craft—Many Steamers Wrecked

Further details brought by the cable from storm-wrecked England shows that the loss of life by reason of the recent gales was very heavy, and will run over 400. Among the steamers wrecked none is better known than the Eilan Vannin, of the Isle of Man Steam Packet company. This little coaster is known to all Manxmen and many thousands have travelled on her since she started service in 1860. The name Eilan Vannin means "Dear Little Isle." The steamer was formerly known as Mona's Isle. She was built in 1860 and was refitted with new engines in 1892. The little vessel ran between Liverpool and the Isle of Man year after year while newer and faster vessels came, including the Ben Ma Chree, fastest steamer on a short route in the world. She was 320 tons gross register, 128 tons net, and her dimensions were 198.6 feet long, 23.2 feet beam and 10.7 feet deep.

The Thistle, lost during the same gale in which the Eilan Vannin foundered with all hands, was a new vessel built for the Albyn company. Added to these wrecks are those of the sloop commencing with the Orari and Labarra, German schooner Hans, from which but one, boy, was saved; steamer Vegesack, lost near Cuxhaven on the German coast, and many small craft, the total lost off the British, French, Dutch and German coasts totalling over 200 vessels. The German torpedo boat G. 39 went ashore near Flensburg. The land loss was over \$2,000,000. Cherbourg, in France, being one of the chief sufferers among the storm swept cities.

MATTERHORN SURVIVORS TELL OF EXPERIENCES

Were Twenty-Seven Hours in Open Boat After Barley Ship Sank Beneath Waves

The survivors of the wrecked British bark Matterhorn, which foundered after shifting her barley cargo about 20 miles southeast of Cape Flattery during the gales of last week, were brought from the Umatilla reef lightship by the U. S. S. Tahoma on Sunday and landed at Port Townsend. The shipwrecked sailors had a thrilling tale to tell of the night on the beam end of the sinking ship, and of the struggle in the open boats for twenty-seven hours before they reached the Umatilla reef lightship. As they left the wrecked barley-carrier, which had turned turtle, the keel was seen for a few minutes after they got away before it sunk beneath the waves.

Tells of Trials

Capt. R. L. Salter, of the Matterhorn, in telling of the loss of his vessel and experiences in reaching safety, said: "We were bound from Portland toward Ipswich, England. We left Astoria, Or., barley-laden, November 26, in tow of the tug Tatoosh, and in charge of the pilot. We released the pilot and tug at noon, and made sail on the port tack in a moderate southeasterly breeze freshened at midnight to a severe blow, and at 8 o'clock on the morning of November 27, the wind was from the south, and the ship under three lower topsails and foresail. At noon she made a heavy lurch to leeward, shifting her keel, and about 1 p.m. the port wing and from the shifting boards starboard.

"We worked all night and shifted the cargo from the leeward and filled the gaps, but were unable to get into the lower hold. We threw the cargo from the starboard room about noon, but this did not help the vessel to stay afloat. We let go the starboard anchor and fifteen fathoms of chain, with the fore and main topsail sheets, in the effort to right her, but she remained fast, the sea making clean breaks over the hatches and gutting the deck houses and forcing the water into the hold. The masts, as they would have come aboard ship and crushed out our lives.

Ship Loses Its Fight

"All day Sunday and Monday we tried to keep the hatches secure, but the tarpaulin was continually washed adrift, great volumes of water flooding the hold, while the ship took on more list.

"On Monday the main rail was a foot under water, the starboard lifeboat gone and the ship a wreck about noon. Early Tuesday morning, realizing that the ship was fast settling over and doomed to go down, we got to work to get the weather boat out. After two hours of fighting to keep our feet we got her over the starboard side and under clear. The crew, who had been working all day, were picked up and the ship went down by the four men who launched the lifeboat. All the crew were saved except First Officer W. Wilberforce, Steward Hansen and Seaman Johnson, who were probably sucked down and entangled in the ship's rigging.

"We cruised about for an hour in the darkness of early morning, all hands shouting and calling their names, but we never saw the missing men again, and so bore away toward the land.

"At 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, twenty-seven hours after the ship went down, we made Umatilla lightship and were taken aboard by Capt. Cagle, his officers and crew treated us with the greatest consideration, supplying us at once with food and clothing. None of us shall ever forget the kindness of this good man and his fellows. We were thinly clad, stiffened from the cold and exposure and starving."

When the Matterhorn was on her beam end, flying her ensign upside down as a distress signal, a four-masted schooner passed within two miles of her but failed to respond to the signals of distress.

Loading at Nanaimo.

The Norwegian steamer Hornelen proceeded to Nanaimo yesterday to load coal for Mexico, after being repaired at the Hefferman dock at Seattle.

FIREMAN LOST FROM CITY OF NANAIMO

James Harper Went Overboard at Maple Bay—Efforts at Rescue Were Unavailing.

A tragedy marred the voyage of the steamer City of Nanaimo, which returned to port on Sunday from Nanaimo and the Gulf Islands. When the steamer was nearing the wharf at Maple Bay under slop bell at 6.10 p.m. Saturday, James Harper, a fireman, aged 22 years, who has been employed for eight months on the steamer, first as deck hand and latterly as Chief Officer Boyce had a boat over and pulled to where Harper had been last seen, about ten yards astern of the steamer. It was impossible to go astern, as the suction caused would have sucked down the fireman. He was seemingly stunned by the chilly water for he never rose above the surface and after a vain search lasting some time the boat was brought back and hoisted on board.

Passengers on the steamer told of the effective and quick manner in which efforts were made to rescue the drowning man and the speed with which the boat was lowered and reached the scene. Had Harper appeared above the water after he fell it is probable that a rescue could have been effected. He was a single man, a native of Whitehaven, Cumberland, England, where his parents to whom part of his wages were regularly sent have their residence.

TWO MEN LOST FROM WRAY CASTLE

Two Sailors Returning Inebriated to Sailing Ship Fell Into Vancouver Harbor

The sailing vessel Wray Castle from Glasgow now loading lumber at the Hasting mill seems to be thoroughly hoodooed. About midnight Saturday a sailor named John Davis who was born in Hamilton, Ont., and was 57 years old, fell off the wharf while he was drunk.

Captain John R. McPhillips lowered himself over the side and grabbed the sailor and held him until the others of the ship assisted in landing him on deck. The sailor died before medical attention could be rendered.

A sailor on the Lonsdale said that a few minutes before Davis fell in he heard another splash and sounds as if a man had gone overboard off the ship. He was drunk and his statement was little heeded.

This morning Captain McPhillips notified the police that Donald McPhail, an A. B. had not been seen since Saturday and he fears he was the man who fell overboard.

The Wray Castle reached port about a month ago after a terrible trip around the Horn. Her trip occupied about six months during which time they ran short of provisions. On arriving here five sailors deserted. Two were arrested and allowed to return to the ship but one deserted again and is now serving eight weeks imprisonment.

ALMOST DRIVEN ON VANCOUVER ISLAND

Schooner C. S. Holmes Reaches Sound and Reports Escape of Trio of Sailors.

The schooner C. S. Holmes, with the barkentine Mary Winkelman and schooner Balboa had a narrow escape from being ashore on the Vancouver Island coast during the gale which broke from the Strait of Juan de Fuca last week. The C. S. Holmes reached the Sound on Sunday, 21 days from San Pedro. She was off Cape Flattery for six days. Capt. Thompson said: "On Friday night, when there was an eclipse of the moon one could not have wished for better weather; but from the fact of the moon than the breeze began to shift. The wind increased and by seven o'clock Saturday morning was blowing a living gale from the southeast. Again and again the seas swept over the decks of the Holmes. How the boats of the Matterhorn ever lived in such a sea as followed the storm is a mystery to me.

The Holmes was driven along before the gale toward the Vancouver Island coast. She was then in company with the Mary Winkelman and the Balboa. We were three days beating back against the southwest wind, but this wind saved us from the rocks of the island."

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The lumber seen floating off the Vancouver Island coast recently was probably from the steam schooner Yosemite which has arrived at San Francisco and reports having 60,000 feet of lumber washed from her decks on November 27, when 30 miles from the Columbia river. The coal oil found on the Vancouver Island coast is supposed to have been part of that included in the cargo of the wrecked steam schooner Argo consigned to the Tillamook lightship.

In a strong gale which prevailed on Saturday in the Straits of the launch the lumber of the Coal company, was swamped. The crew escaped. A report from Chatham Bay stated that a steamer was seen off Lapush Island on Saturday night displaying distress signals.

Some complaint is made by Seattle newspapers owing to the lifesaving tug

Esquimalt and Nanaimo RAILWAY

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Effective Tuesday, Nov. 16th.

NORTH BOUND		DAILY		SOUTH BOUND	
(Read Down)				(Read Up)	
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday.	Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.			Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday.	Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.
16.00	9.00	Lv. Victoria	Ar. 12.05	19.00	
17.12	10.15	Shawnigan Lake	10.48	17.42	
17.48	11.00	Duncans	10.05	16.58	
18.20	11.32	Chemainus	9.25	16.22	
18.45	11.57	Ladysmith	9.00	15.58	
19.28	12.35	Nanaimo	8.15	15.15	
19.45	12.53	Wellington	Lv. 8.00	15.00	

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(Signed) J. W. WILLIAMS.
Dated this 4th day of November, 1909

Snohomish being absent from her station at Neah Bay when the survivors of the Matterhorn reached Umatilla lightship. The Snohomish has been on her station but three days a week.

THIRD CLASS CRUISER FOR ESQUIMALT

Ottawa Paper Says Government Will Secure One of Vessels Struck From Effective List.

The Ottawa Free Press of November 29th, says two third class cruisers of the Apollo type are to be loaned to the Canadian government for naval training purposes. Two of these cruisers will be secured, one to be placed on the Atlantic and the other on the Pacific. These vessels are of 3,400 tons displacement; are 300 feet long; have a beam of 43 feet and a draught of 16 feet 6. The Apollo was launched in 1891. Her original speed was 20.5 knots. She has a crew of 273. Her armament consists of two 6-inch quick firers; six 4.7-inch; eight 6-pounders; one 3-pounder, and four machine guns.

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PRISONER IN DOLDRUMS

After Battling in Calm Belt From Panama Bound to Columbia Buteshire Reaches Acapulco.

The British ship Buteshire, so long overdue from Panama for the Columbia river, being out 120 days is late. Owing to her failure to show up at the Columbia river, fears were entertained for her, but word has now been received of her arrival at Acapulco a few days ago. A telegram has been received at San Francisco asking that six months' provisions be sent to the Mexican port for the Buteshire.

Under what appeared to be favorable conditions, the Buteshire sailed from Panama last March for Callao to load niter, but after knocking about off the lower coast, trying to make the Peruvian port, the ship drifted back to Panama, having been at sea four months. She lost her charter through her failure to reach Callao, and at Panama Captain Purdie was ordered by his owners to proceed to the Columbia river. After drifting aimlessly about, trying to get out of the exasperating doldrums, which now, in these heavy snowstorms, were encountered near the Naas. A shipment of 50,000 feet of spruce lumber was brought to Vancouver, however, in no pleasant mood.

After Captain Purdie and his men have filled up on fresh grub they may make another attempt to get away from the tedious calms of the tropical seas.

PRINCESS BEATRICE LEAVES FOR NORTH

Started on Voyage to Queen Charlottes Last Night—Had Rough Trip South.

The steamer Princess Beatrice left last night for Naas, Queen Charlotte Islands and the usual ports of call in Northern British Columbia, with a fair cargo, mostly of groceries and general merchandise. The steamer arrived in port early on Sunday morning. She had a rough trip, and lay sheltered for a day at Dana Point near Pacific Heavy snowstorms were encountered near the Naas. A shipment of 50,000 feet of spruce lumber was brought to Vancouver.

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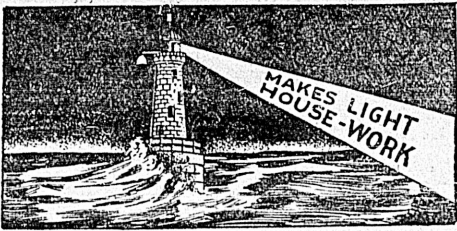
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CHURCH GOING SOLDIERS



Fifth Regiment C.A. on the march to Christ Church Cathedral

The Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., under command of Lieut.-Col. A. W. Currie, held a church parade on Sunday morning to Christ Church Cathedral. The regiment paraded at the Drill hall at 10 o'clock, and half an hour later, headed by the band, twenty-eight strong, under Bandmaster Rogers, marched out, and proceeded by way of

Belleville, Government, Fort and Blanchard streets, to the Cathedral. The parade was preceded by Drum-Major Quartermaster-Sergeant F. Hatcher, who carried a historic staff. It was a silver-mounted cane which the late Sir James Douglas carried when he opened the first parliament that sat on Vancouver Island.

Christ Church Cathedral was crowded to the doors. His Lordship Bishop Perrin, who was assisted by Rev. Mr. Grundy, and Rev. Mr. Barton, preached an interesting sermon upon the text, "Quit ye like men; be strong." Special hymns were sung, and the service, as usual, when the regiment goes to church, closed with the singing of the national anthem.

ASK EARLY START ON DOUGLAS ST.

Property Owners Again Urge the Importance of the Work

Urging that an early start be made on the work of paving Douglas street between Humboldt and Fisgard streets, and that the new system of cluster lights be installed, a deputation of owners waited upon the council last evening and asked for information as to just when the work will be commenced.

The members of the deputation were informed that the paving work has been passed, and that as soon as the city electrician can figure on an estimate of cost of installing the lighting system, the council will take action. This estimate will probably be ready by Friday night when it can be considered by the streets committee. The trouble appears to be that while the city may be able to finance the cost of the installation of the lights, there is doubt as to whether there will be sufficient electricity. The present capacity of the electric lighting plant is not sufficient.

Capt. McCallum and Mr. Challenor, members of the deputation, urged that everything possible should be done to improve the thoroughfare, as suggested.

W. C. T. U. Gets Grant

A deputation from the W. C. T. U. was present and asked for the grant of \$500 which the city gave some time ago, but which was returned as the Union at that time could not effect the paving of the St. Francis street. Now the Union has secured new quarters on Store street, and the amount is needed. The city will give the \$500.

If the necessary funds can be raised the salt water, high pressure system will be extended by running an eight inch main from the present water works over the roads. Another power asked for is that "of purchasing water and waterworks wherever situated, and to make agreements for acquiring water works or water supply, and power to construct and lay pipes from water works, or from any point where water is to be supplied through any roads, streets or highways whether provincial, municipal or private, and full power to pass the necessary by-laws for such purpose."

Affects Victoria

The city solicitors pointed out that the powers sought by the municipality may seriously affect the jurisdiction of the city over its roads and streets and, furthermore, seriously affect the interests of the transportation companies of the city. Mayor Hall remarked, that if Oak Bay gets what it wants it will be able to run water mains from Victoria West along city streets to the municipality. It would be a case of the "tail wagging the dog."

The city solicitors and barrister will be instructed to watch the city's interests when the Oak Bay application comes before the legislature.

The contract for the supply of brass goods for the waterworks department will be awarded to the Victoria Machinery company at \$2,719.80, provided

the goods are made in Victoria, and the contract for lead pipe will be divided between A. Sheret and the Colbert Plumbing & Heating company, at \$4.30 per cwt.

An offer by William Irving of twenty-eight acres of land on the Cedar Hill road for cemetery purposes, at a figure of \$14,000, or twenty acres for \$10,000, was referred to the cemetery committee.

McL. Muirhead was appointed to a permanent position in the office of the city treasurer.

The city engineer reported that in his opinion wood blocks treated with creosote will prove the best pavement for Douglas street, and his recommendation will be adopted.

"Have a copy of that report sent to the Hassam company's agent," suggested Alderman Mable.

DELEGATES TO B. C. CONVENTION

Victoria to Send Full Representation to Conservative Gathering at Kamloops.

At a meeting of the Conservatives of the city held in the Broad street hall last night the following delegates to attend the Provincial Conservative convention to be held at Kamloops on Friday and Saturday, the 10th and 11th inst., were chosen: Hon. Richard McBride, H. B. Thomson, M. P., Fred Davey, M. P., J. H. P. Behnson, M. P., R. F. Green, Capt. R. G. Tait, J. H. H. Macdonald, E. E. Leason, Capt. C. L. McCann, C. H. Hill, S. H. Matson, C. S. Baxter, C. H. Hill, J. H. Macdonald, E. E. Leason, Frank Davey, W. E. Stameland, E. A. Lewis, A. C. Burdick, S. Douglas, Babbington, M. M. McCabe, Capt. McIntosh, A. Berwick, C. M. Cookson, R. Drake, D. Bragge, A. Monteith, J. Baker, M. Carlin, Guy Walker, Dr. Sparrow, W. H. Price, W. C. Sprule, A. Allan, H. Maynard, Henry Doyle, J. A. Allan, J. W. Morris, P. R. Fleming, J. Mortimer, Stewart Williams, S. Greenwood, E. E. C. Johnson, W. H. P. Sweeney and J. Robinson.

The meeting was well attended by a representative gathering of the city Conservatives. R. E. Green, the president of the local organization, presided, and in opening the meeting pointed out that Victoria was entitled to be represented by 46 members, composed of the four sitting members, 10 delegates, representing each of these members, and the president and vice-president of the local Conservative association. The convention, he said, was ordinarily held in October, but owing to the general election it had been postponed. He alluded to the big victory of the Conservatives throughout the province, and hoped that this fact would spur Victoria on to sending her full representation to the forthcoming convention.

Mr. Helmcken Speaks.

The delegates were then selected and subsequently H. D. Helmcken, K. C., who was present, was called upon for a speech. Mr. Helmcken alluded to the representative gathering and the late big victory which had been won, the result of good generalship and hard work. He personally, he said, had been "left" in Esquimalt, but it was only for the time being. The result in that constituency had been due to the flaunting of Dominion patronage in the faces of the constituents ever since the campaign commenced. In the outside districts the Conservatives had polled the full strength that they could have hoped for. They had gone out to play the straight game but as far as Esquimalt proper was concerned that was impossible. The opposition had used tactics there of a reprehensible character.

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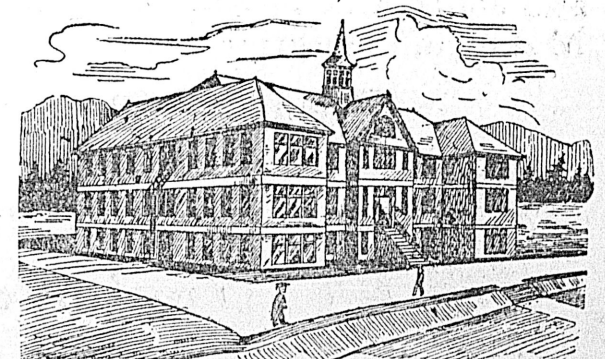
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By order of the Board.

R. CAMPBELL,
General Manager.

Winnipeg, 23rd Nov. 1909.

SAYS COMPLAINTS NOT CALLED FOR

City Engineer Takes Exception to Roasts Handed His Department

The city engineer, in view of the complaints which have been made relative to the uncompleted condition of

the surface drains, has submitted an explanation to the city council showing just what has been the trouble and that his department is not to blame for not carrying out works which the public has not voted sufficient funds to effect.

Statement of Engineer.

The engineer's statement is as follows: With regard to the numerous complaints emanating from the public and the press relative to the uncompleted condition of the surface drains during the recent rains, I think it is only fair to myself to make known a few facts concerning these drainage improvements.

In my preliminary report some years ago plans and estimates were prepared for some of the most necessary

main surface drains. A bylaw was then submitted to the ratepayers and defeated, consequently nothing could be done. Last year the estimate was again submitted to the council asking for \$174,101, of this amount only \$150,000 was sanctioned by the ratepayers in October 1908, the outlay of which was intended, according to the bylaw, to cover the cost of the main surface drains only. I have therefore confined my attention to the completion of the mains, and upon preparing a statement I find there is approximately \$20,000 left for this work, entirely apart from the connections, and there still remains a considerable amount of work uncompleted on the mains in Victoria West, Moss street and the Work estate.

In my opinion if there are sufficient

funds to complete the work which was intended in the bylaw there will not be one cent available for the laterals and connections.

I might also state that owing to the large demand on the Pottery company it has been found impossible to get sufficient pipe to carry out the work expeditiously.

In conclusion I think in all fairness before such reports are brought before the public the facts relative to the matter should be more accurately ascertained.

"Bound by An Oath."

"Bound by An Oath" is a drama which will be presented by the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic society on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at Semple's hall.

A Social Gathering.

The Men's Social club, a branch of the Men's Own Bible Class of the First Congregational church, will hold their monthly meeting and social tonight at 8 o'clock in the schoolroom of the church.

Construction Uninterrupted

The present cold spell is not interfering, to any extent, with the construction work in progress on the west coast end of the extension of the E. & N. railroad. There are upwards of three hundred men engaged in grading the final stretch of line across the Island to Alberni. The operations will continue throughout the winter months.

Animated Pictures

At the Victoria theatre this evening an animated picture and illustrated song entertainment will hold the boards as well as Thursday and Friday evening. The programme for this evening includes some very interesting films, among them being "Who Needed the Dough?" "A Daughter's Love is Different," "For An Air," "Uncle Henry," "Reforming a Husband," "Amateur Theatricals," "Grand Canal," "Dr. Dodge," "Catching a Burglar," "An Obstinate Tooth" and several others. The entertainment will commence at 8 o'clock and the doors will be open half an hour earlier.

IN ADVANCE OF RAILWAY

Publicity Man of the Canadian Northern Pays Flying Visit to Victoria

For many reasons, but incidentally because the Canadian Northern railway charter contains in its preamble "for the general advantage of Canada," that railway has in its employ Mr. Arthur Hawkes. It is true that Mr. Hawkes' official title is superintendent of publicity and industries but nevertheless his activities are as much for the general benefit of Canada and particularly those districts affected by the railway with which he is connected as they are for that railway itself.

Mr. Hawkes arrived in the city yesterday and left this morning for the east. His visit is not preliminary to a longer one later on.

Railways nowadays do all in their power to promote immigration. The settlement of the country through which they pass means more business for them. The more industries promoted the more freight they will have to carry and so they employ a publicity man to place before prospective settlers and investors the advantages of the country traversed by them and also it is his duty or pleasure to sing the praises of the country generally so that the idea of immigration may be presented to the man who has yet not decided upon it. Mr. Hawkes, therefore, for they are multitudinous, include these, and henceforward he will take more than a passing interest in British Columbia and the advancement of this province. His present trip is just for the purpose of getting in touch with the province. Probably it will not be long before some of those interesting articles which are constantly appearing in United States newspapers and magazines as well in those of Great Britain over Mr. Hawkes' signature will deal with British Columbia, its resources and opportunities.

It is three years since his last visit here. In that time he has noticed a great change in the city and in the country generally. He could not help remarking the changed attitude of Seattle people towards Victoria, Vancouver and the province at large. It is bulking larger in their ideas.

Railways are not altruists altogether yet frequently necessary things which are everybody's business and nobody's business are done by them. And the doing of this falls to the publicity man generally. Just an instance. Up in the hinterland of Ontario, that which lies around the boundary of Minnesota and Northern Ontario, there is an immense district which is alive with game. This game was unprotected and great inroads were made upon it by raiders from across the border who disregarded all game laws slaughtering deer, moose and other animals with impunity and despatch. In Minnesota there was a similar district. The game was fast disappearing and when the fish and game clubs heard of it they were dismayed. Yet they did nothing. However, the need of action was impressed upon the Canadian Northern railway. Through representations made by Mr. Hawkes a reserve was placed upon the district by the state of Minnesota and the Ontario government. A preserve of 4,000 square miles in two different countries but contiguous was created without a single communication passing between officials of the two governments. One of the public benefits effected through the superintendent of publicity.

The C. P. R. has its George Ham, well known to everybody, all over Canada; the G. T. R. and G. T. P. has its Harry Charlton who is known to many but is not so well known in this western country as he will be and the Canadian Northern has its Arthur Hawkes. British Columbia will know him better before long.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Vigilius.

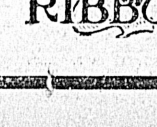
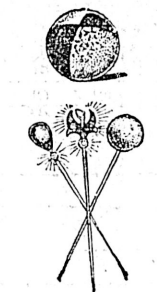
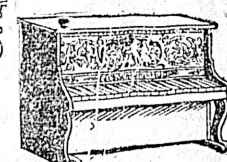
From the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Myers, of 39 Olympian avenue, the funeral of the late Mrs. Dora Vigilius took place on Sunday, at 2 o'clock, the Rev. G. C. Goring officiating. A large number of friends attended the last rites, and the flowers in evidence were a tribute to the respect in which the deceased was held. The pallbearers were: Alex. Wilson, W. Grimm, A. Brown and T. Geiger.

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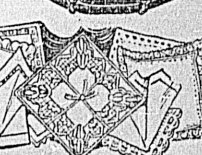
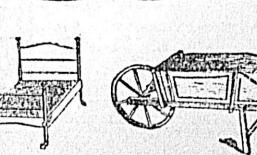
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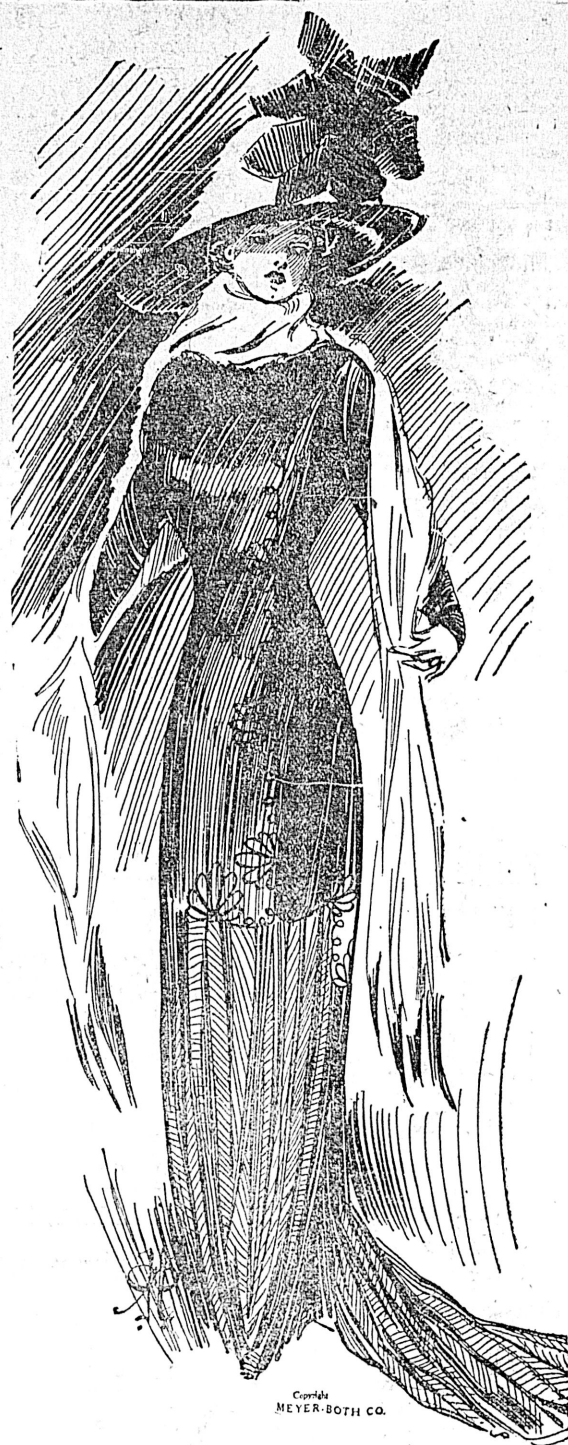
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